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## VITAL PEACE TALKS TO START SOON

### Fourteen Die in Plane Collision

London, February 19. Fourteen persons were killed today when a British airliner and an RAF training plane collided and crashed in flames near here.

British European Airways said six passengers and four crew members died in the twin-engined airliner. Four RAF airmen were killed in the trainer, an Anson bomber, the Air Ministry said.

Police investigating the crash, over the outskirts of Coventry, said there were no survivors.

The airliner was on a scheduled flight from London to Renfrew, Scotland.

The planes crashed in flames at the rear of a hospital. A police constable and a fireman who saw the collision said wreckage was strewn over a wide area. —Associated Press.

### U.S. Army Admits Spy Ring Report Release A Mistake

Washington, February 19.

The U.S. Army admitted today it had made a "faux pas" in issuing its report on pre-war Communist espionage in China and Japan. Colonel George S. Eyster, deputy chief of the Army's Public Information Division, told newsmen the Army should have noted that the report was based on unsubstantiated information from the Japanese police and did not represent the view of the United States Government.

He said the Army had no proof to back up the report's charge that the American writer, Miss Agnes Smedley, had actively spied for the Russians in the Far East in the days before Pearl Harbour.

Colonel Eyster said the report should have been edited more carefully. He said he knew of no plan to punish anyone for making the error, but he was certainly going to make sure that such a mistake does not happen again.

The report, which was made public last week by General MacArthur's staff in Tokyo, said there were two Communist spy rings operating in the Far East before the war—one in China and in the United States.

#### Despicable Lie

In New York, Miss Smedley had promptly called the charges a despicable lie, and there were others who also criticised the Army's method in bringing out the report.

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#### MR. KEATES SHOWS SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT

The condition of Mr. W. A. Keates, editor-in-chief of the "China Mail" and "Sunday Herald," who was injured in a tram accident on Monday, improved slightly yesterday.

Mr. Keates had attended a meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon. He was due to return to the capital by tomorrow morning, but had to remain in Hong Kong.

The sources say that these proposals will be placed before an early meeting of the Executive Yuan by the Finance Minister, Mr. Huo Kan.

Reports reaching Canton from Nanking say that the central bank is busily preparing

### Mao Expected To Meet Dr. Shao Within Few Days PAI VISITS NANKING

Nanking, February 19. Vital preliminary negotiations for peace in China are expected to begin within a few days at Shihchiachuang between the Communist leader, Mao Tse-tung, and Dr. Shao Li-tse, former Chinese Ambassador to Moscow, according to radio-telephone messages from Peiping today.

Shihchiachuang, about 160 miles South West of Peiping, is the present administrative centre of Communist-occupied North China.

Dr. Shao Li-tse will leave for Shihchiachuang within one or two days, the Peiping messages said. He is expected to seek the early restoration of air and sea communications between Shanghai and Tientsin.

#### Confiscation Of ECA Flour

Shanghai, February 19. The disclosure that the Communists in Peiping had confiscated ECA flour in that city yesterday, and the day before, was released here today, which said that Mr. Ritchie G. Davis, U.S. North China representative, has protested vigorously to General Yeh Chien-ying, Chiang Kai-shek's military control commission, against this unlawful seizure.

In a letter to General Yeh, Mr. Davis wrote that an unascertained number of bags of flour were taken from the ECA compound in the presence of 11 soldiers of the People's Liberation Army, and asked that the situation be remedied.

The ECA here said that they had 140 tons of flour in Peiping. —Reuters.

The Sun-Fo Cabinet meanwhile, will make an independent effort tomorrow to contact the Chinese Communists through Hong Kong for exchange of views toward a peace settlement.

General Pai Chung-hai, Nationalist commander in central China, arrived here by air today from Hankow, presaging important political decisions, expected to lead China still closer to peace.

General Pai has been summoned recently by Acting President Li Taung-ien.

General Pai and President Li are close friends. They met immediately after Pai's arrival with General Ho Ying-chin and Mr. Tung Shao-shen, a member of the Nationalist Government's official peace delegation.

After a short conference, General Ho and Mr. Tung left by air for Shanghai.

Unconfirmed reports said that they might be going to Fengtien to confer with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. No details of what caused the sudden conference have been divulged but it is thought that President Li was consulting General Pai about the preparation of detailed plans for the reorganization of the Nationalist armed forces if peace could be secured.

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#### Silver Coins?

The lifting of all restrictions on transactions involving gold and foreign currency.

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### Peep Is Permitted



### Britain To Give Siam Aid

London, February 19.

The British Government has agreed to give material aid to Siam's anti-Communist drive, according to official sources today.

Siam's Premier, Marshal Pibul Songgram, was said to have made a request for material help last year. The British Government, it was said, decided last week to provide arms and ammunition sufficient for five battalions of Siam's reserve anti-terrorist troops.

Official sources said Siam planned very co-operative in the anti-Communist drive in Malaya. They said Siam permitted a British Consul to be stationed on Siam's territory in the narrow peninsula joining Malaya to Siam to observe the movements of Chinese Communist bands across the border.

"Siam is giving a good example of co-operative action which is essential if Communism is to be eradicated in South East Asia," these officials said.

Other authoritative sources in close touch with events in South East Asia told the United Press that the state of emergency announced in Bangkok on Thursday would most probably be followed shortly by a declaration of martial law.

Marshal Songgram was said to be taking very strong measures to cope with the intensified threat from Chinese Communists encouraged by Mao Tse-tung's successes in China. —United Press.

### AND NO FLAT FEET?

Haverford, West England, February 19.

Seventy-four-year-old Andrew Jones retired today after 46 years as a postman during which he walked 185,000 miles—a distance of more than five times around the world. —United Press.

### THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. EST) a weak anti-cyclone is centred over Japan. To its ridge extends Eastwards to the Pacific. —Pressure gradients over China are slight.

Tide: Forecast—Moderately Easterly winds. Fair with morning haze.

Yesterday's Weather—

Maximum: 60.8 deg. Fahr. Minimum: 59.0 deg. Fahr. Sunshines: 10.6 hours.

Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—127.3 mm. 5.01 in. as against an average of 61.8 mm. 2.48 in. Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.

Baro. at m.s.t. 1020.7 1017.9 mb. Equals 30.14 30.08 inches.

Rel. Humid. 70 65.5%

Wind: Point 57 15 deg. F.

Wind: Direction 232 15 knot.

Wind: Force 10 15 knot.

Tides: 10.67 4.8

High 11.66 6.9

Low 7.77 3.3

Wind: 32.25 8.4

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## Magistrate Dismisses Charge

Without calling on the defense, represented by Mr. A. S. C. Comber, Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday dismissed the charge of cruelty to chickens preferred against the mistresses of three cargo boats by Probationary Sub-Inspector Tam Wal-ming.

"You cannot charge a person with a criminal offence on evidence like this," ruled the court when PSI Tam admitted, in cross-examination, that the figures he gave respecting the size of the crates and the number of chickens in each crate were only approximate.

In evidence, PSI Tam said that at 12.30 a.m. on January 28 he was on duty in Kowloon Bay when he saw three junks being towed by a motor boat, and went to the direction of Hong Kong from MaTauKok.

He stopped the boats and boarded junk 363Y. On board he saw about 40 crates, piled five high, each containing about 90 chickens. The containers measure three feet in diameter and 18 inches in depth. There were no matting at the bottom of the crates, and the legs of the chickens were protruding through the holes.

Boarding the second junk, 1075Y, witness found between 30 and 40 crates, of the same size as those on the other junk and containing the same number of fowls, piled also five high. He told Do For-ku, the mistress, that she would be charged with cruelty to chickens. She was also instructed to go on board the Police launch with her licence.

On board junk 362Y, of which Leung Sam was the mistress, witness found 30 crates, each containing 90 chickens, stacked in five tiers. Like the other containers, these crates had no matting. Leung Sam was also told to go on board the launch.

Replying to Mr. Comber, witness said that he counted 10 crates only. He did not measure the size of the crates but judged their size by sight. When a large crate, measuring six feet in diameter, was brought into court, witness said that the crates he saw on the junks were "slightly smaller."

## Suppliers Of Opium Sentenced

When Divisional Superintendent E. C. Luscombe led a police party to an unnumbered hut at Reech Street, near Ivy Street, at 7.15 a.m. on February 17, he found Lee Tak heating opium and Tam Chung assisting him.

This hut, said DS Luscombe when Lee and Tam were charged before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday, had been raided by himself about two months ago, and the keeper of the opium den charged and sentenced.

"On the premises he found, in the present raid, one big cup, and five small pots of opium, two basins, one scoop and a bamboo basket. First accused was stirring opium in a basin over an open chatty, and second defendant was scooping the drug into small pots.

The place was definitely one of the supply depots for the divans, said DS Luscombe, who added that second defendant had two convictions, in 1946 and 1947, for obtaining money by false pretences.

Lee was sentenced to six months' penal servitude, and Tam to four months' hard labour. Both were recommended for remission.

## COMMITTED TO STAND TRIAL

Before Mr. W. H. Laffman at Kowloon yesterday, Wong Fuk-lam was committed to stand trial for the alleged murder of his foster father, Wong Yau, at Tai-O last September.

Proceedings came to a close yesterday after the prosecution, conducted by Mr. Charles Mottman, "Assistant Director" of Criminal Investigation, assisted by DS Askin, had brought to the court more than 50 witnesses.

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## WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Public subscriptions to the Hong Kong War Memorial Fund received between February 3 and 18, 1949.

Amount received: £1,563,477.00

Received to February 18, 1949: £1,563,477.00

Total: £1,563,477.00

## Hong Kong's January Imports, Exports

Imports of merchandise into Hong Kong during January amounted to a declared value of \$150,326,902 as compared with \$139,785,107 in January, last year. The figures include Government sponsored cargoes.

Exports of merchandise totalled a declared value of \$171,811,389 last month as compared with \$113,316,932 in January 1948. Total value of imports and exports of merchandise by countries follow:

COUNTRIES	IMPORTS FROM	EXPORTS TO
United Kingdom	18,559,862	22,154,385
Australia	2,911,197	1,560,842
Canada	2,631,053	2,535,902
Ceylon	1,16,410	102,247
East Africa		74,381
India	1,889,816	1,100,474
Malaya (Br.)	6,115,253	1,702,282
New Zealand		1,400
North America	1,059,616	1,011,545
South Africa		818,545
West Africa		205,149
West Indies		18,322
U.S. Emp., Other	8,086,690	2,654,554
Belgium	4,844,277	1,182,712
Burma	3,150,322	1,861,865
China, North	8,933,177	6,452,141
China, Middle	6,631,861	2,269,143
China, South	22,000,264	27,816,815
Cuba	57,760	14,726
O. America	6,16,634	66,464
Denmark	235,546	71,452
Egypt	488,900	357,448
France	228,104	2,860,800
Fr. L. China	2,059,072	278,313
Germany	485,810	851,184
Holland	2,402,705	891,181
India	1,165,634	1,169,108
Indonesia	12,519,116	2,278,476
Korea, South	1,608,301	2,917,700
North		1,091,148
Macao	6,740,380	8,918,108
Norway	1,174,552	873,277
Neth. & S. Indies	918,912	3,010,853
Philippines	650,194	458,194
Portugal	10,457	2,402,705
S. America	2,094,111	1,951,716
Spain	48,081	29,316
Sweden	1,827,657	684,486
U.S.A.	4,056,842	4,114,266
U.S.R.	23,210,242	23,746,877
All Other Countries	264,090	3,008,916
Total	918,765,107	315,825,002
Total U.S. Emp.	82,731,178	41,167,455
Total Foreign	817,019,128	119,346,820

	IMPORTS FROM	EXPORTS TO
January	1948	1948
1948	1948	1948
Live animals, chiefly for food	97	8
Meat and preparations thereof	1,616,474	8,356,000
Dairy products, cheese & butter	2,819,277	3,079,958
Other products, not food	1,612,124	1,514,747
Cereals	8,665,231	3,384,276
Manufactured products of cereals, chiefly for human food	8,629,171	8,600,310
Fruit and nuts, except oil-nuts	988,008	2,420,100
Vegetables, roots and tubers, for human food and other consumption	2,416,146	2,726,260
Beverages and confectionery	849,188	1,006,024
Feeding stuffs for animals	928,188	851,873
Tobacco	7,107	837,488
Oil-seeds, nuts and kernels	2,485,658	6,079,891
Animal, vegetable, mineral, etc., fats, greases and waxes and their manufactures	14,497,603	12,175,774
Chemical elements and compounds, pharmaceutical products	7,864,194	9,016,178
Dyeing, tanning and colouring substances (not including crude materials)	7,850,206	4,826,507
Earths, periments, pigments, dyes, waxes and related products	1,108,177	1,133,410
Fertilizers	1,203,380	906,553
Wood, cork and manufactures thereof	2,342,591	2,386,498
Pulp, paper and cardboard	8,419,718	8,127,253
Manufactures of leather, not including articles of clothing	7,846,135	1,628,214
Footwear, boots, shoes and other leather goods	1,151,560	1,151,560
Manufactures of leather, not including articles of clothing	19,350	40,815
Textile materials, raw or simply prepared	18,672,670	22,055,270
Yarns and thread	10,167,618	7,735,965
Textile fabrics and small wear	7,843,674	14,465,023
Special and technical textile articles	20,029	213,268
Clothing and undergarments of textile materials, hats of all materials	1,191,151	2,006,540
Clothing of leather and fur	2,557,673	930,910
Footwear, boots, shoes and other leather goods	7,105	862,770
Manufactures of base metals, not including articles of clothing	1,651,010	1,771,984
Minerals, non-metallic	7,085,792	7,761,523
Plastics and similar materials	2,120,191	382,291
Pottery and glassware	1,858,778	451,561
Glass and glassware	1,858,918	451,561
Manufactures of non-metallic minerals, not including articles of clothing	21,615	414,153
Plastics and similar materials	2,800,223	1,659,043
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances	1,857,180	2,106,948
Vehicles and trams, etc., including aircraft	2,117,316	1,872,803
Miscellaneous crude or simply prepared products, n.m.r.	8,117,224	4,015,880
Manufactured articles, n.m.r.	4,789,500	5,074,934
Total Merchandise	187,765,107	159,826,933
Gold and silver	74,049	4,460,026
Grand Total	187,765,107	160,610,922

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## Talks Between Shipping Agents, Survivors Fail

Negotiations between survivors of the Portuguese freighter *Masbato* and the local agents, Jephshun Shipping Company, ended in a deadlock again yesterday.

In a letter to the Company through the Chinese Seamen Union, the survivors and dependents of those still missing demanded compensation of HK\$1,500 each for a casualty and HK\$500 each for a survivor.

In addition they asked payment of HK\$780 for the Deck Department for provisions lost when the *Masbato* sank and HK\$780 for the Firemen Department, also for provisions lost.

An official of Jephshun stated last evening that the Company had agreed to pay \$200 each to a survivor if his salary in two months does not reach that figure and likewise \$500 to a casualty.

"We cannot accept their new proposals," he declared on receiving the letter.

Another discussion will be held this morning.

The survivors and dependents of the missing, but believed dead, refused to accept compensation as stipulated by the Portuguese shipping articles, and originally demanded instead seven months'

and 18 months' salaries, respectively, as against the Portuguese payment of one month and three months.

The Chinese Seamen Union was approached to act as arbitrator for the survivors and the dependents.

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The men claimed they had lost heavily in cash and clothing by the sinking of the vessel. They had a lot of warm clothing before leaving Hong Kong, acting under advice of the master, they claimed.

The Company declared that they too had lost heavily. The trip was the first venture of the new owners and no business had been done at all.

The *Masbato* sank five minutes after colliding with the Chinese steamer *Hsing Hsing* near Swatow on the morning of January 31 in thick fog. Twenty-two men of the crew of 48 survived.

The Portuguese master, Mr. C. V. Gomez, and the British chief officer, Mr. E. Bentley, are believed to be casualties among the missing. Only one officer survived. Mr. C. Y. Wong, second officer, had completed making his statement to the local legal representatives of the agents. He made one in Chinese for the Chinese Customs at Swatow before flying for the Colony.

Mr. Wong, however, has already accepted his compensation of HK\$100 from the Portuguese regulations.

Dependents of Mr. Gomez have also agreed to the same ruling, it was reported. Compensation for Mr. Bentley would be made through the China Coast Officers and Engineers' Guild, an official of the Company stated.

### CHINESE SHIP LEAVES HK

The Chinese steamer *Ting Hsing* resumed her journey to Shanghai with 7,500 tons of rice, after repairs to her leaking double-bottom tank were completed yesterday.

Walters and Company, local agents, reported that the No. 1 hold double-bottom tank was found leaking without apparent reason en route from Siam to Shanghai. The ship called here for repairs, which were done in Kowloon Bay and completed yesterday morning.

### Submission To Be Considered

The submission of Mr. A. S. Comber that defendant had no cause to answer was taken by the court for further consideration at the continued hearing of the uttering of a forged cheque charge preferred against 25-year-old Ng Kuk-kuen before Mr. W. A. Blair Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

At the conclusion of the case for the Crown, conducted by Detective Sub-Inspector A. Leslie, Mr. Comber said that he sympathised with the prosecution as they did their best to make bricks without straw.

There was no evidence whatever against his client, and even the man from the bank (Kong Shu-ye) of the National City Bank of New York could not say definitely whether the cheque was a forgery or not. He could say that if the cheque came into his hands he would not accept it on the ground that it was issued by the Bank of America, which he did not know.

"Accused," said Counsel, was in the habit of receiving cheques from his father, all of which turned out satisfactory. They were all guaranteed by Tang Wah-yan, master of the Chung Wah Laundry on Cheung Sha Wan Road.

Both defendant and Tang were from Tsin Shih. It is a well-known fact that people of Tsin Shih are one of the most trusting people on earth, and they are usually picked as the victims for "Tin Sin Kuk" rackets.

Finally, said counsel, in both his statement and his answer to the charge, accused told a straight-forward story. He stated on both occasions that the cheque belonged to a relative who was unable to find a guarantor, so elicited his help. When he received the HK\$20 he handed the money to the man Lau Chuk-kwan.

The court announced that it would take the submission and consideration and announce its decision later.

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## Wedding At Union Church

Miss Ruth Litvin, well known pianist, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Litvin, of 8 Salsbury Avenue, was married to Mr. C.A. Ken Tether, son of Mr. and Mrs. E.R. Tether of "Penrith," Hatfield Road, Gloucester, England at Union Church yesterday afternoon.

The Reverend Frank Short officiated.

The bride entered the church on the arm of her father. A long string of beads was worn over her white, velvet gown, cut in a Victorian style. Her veil was trimmed with lace and held in place by a beaded coronet.

She carried a bouquet of orchids flown from Bahkoko.

The bride's mother was matron of honour and Matron C.W.L. Way best man.

The reception was held at 128 Waterloo Road, the future residence of the couple.

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### Personalia

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Friday included Mr. and Mrs. P. Polok, Mr. and Mrs. D.G. Crew, Mr. W.M. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Merkel, Mrs. W.W. Mortimer, Mrs. B.C. Cousins, Mr. and Mrs. W. Orlowiz, Mr. and Mrs. D. Chang, Messrs. W.E. Lester, J.E. Wild, C. Egli, E. Narayanan, P.A. Holt, R. Schneider, W.Y. Chu, E.F. Wheeler, J.M. Long, G.H. Townsend, J.S. Scott, M.G. Saker, R. Lee and P. Kapur.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday were Miss L. Warner, Mrs. C. Cooper, Mr. V. Brown, Mrs. V. Sommacher, Mrs. J. Reed, Mrs. M. Ballou, Mrs. R. Thorvalson, Messrs. H.P. Samson, D. Shugle, A.S. Triple, E.K. Peterson, A.M. Heyes, L. Slesser, C.M. Dugan and J. Alme.

Mr. F. Smithman left for Foochow yesterday by the ss. Sinkiang.

Among the passengers who arrived in the Colony from Canton yesterday by the ss. *Futsan* were Mr. and Mrs. J. MacRae, Dr. and Mrs. G. Milne, Mrs. E.H. Heff, Miss Lilia Frolland, Miss F.G. Riggsbee, Miss Marion J. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Echling, Mr. and Mrs. O. Thilane, Messrs. Duncan Fraser, Charles Lee, Leonard B. Allen, Gerald B. Read, M. L. Lancaster and T.A. Herkell.

Mrs. May Cohen and Messrs. John Edwin Peters and Charles Robinson arrived in Hong Kong yesterday from Swatow by the ss. *Tsaiman*.

Mrs. K. Landes, Mr. and Mrs. K. Boroff, Mrs. Turner and two children, Mrs. Moodie and two children, Mr. and Mrs. S.G. Adams, Sisters Bern and Ramira, Messrs. J.V. Pickering, Owen Richards, C.P. Cabott, L.G.E. Ramadge and W.A. Horrell have arrived from Shanghai.

At 7 p.m. today, Pandit Nehru will speak at the Indian Recreation Club. The subject of his talk will be "India's Part in the New World Order." All interested are invited to attend.

### NO REPLY TO PETITION

No reply has yet been received by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce from Government to the petition for an amendment to the Debtor-Creditor Ordinance.

The petition sought a revision of the Ordinance in view of the many difficulties and contradictions in the present law.

It is to be hoped that the Chamber of Commerce will take up the matter again.

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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-sixth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday the 17th day of March, 1949, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1948, and to elect Directors and appoint Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 5th March to 17th March, 1949, both days inclusive.

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## NOTICE

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## Consultation hours:

9 a.m.—12 noon.  
3 p.m.—5 p.m.

## HONG KONG STAGE CLUB

There will be a casting meeting for "Twelfth Night" on Monday, 21st February at 8.00 p.m. in the China Fleet Club. The meeting is open to all and new members are especially invited to attend and read.

## NOTICE

W. Harvey Franks L.D.S., R.C.S. (Edin.) has joined A. J. Staple L.D.S. (Brist.) at 134 Gloucester Building, Tel. 27456.

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

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## POST OFFICE

## MAIL NOTICE

Mail Service by Air and Surface. Tientsin and Peiping is temporarily suspended until further notice.

AIRMAIL FOR UNITED KINGDOM DELAYED.

The Outward Airmail for United Kingdom scheduled to close at 10 a.m. on Sunday, February 20, will now close on Tuesday, February 22, 1949 at Kowloon GPO 4.30 p.m. and Hong Kong (GPO) 5.30 p.m. (Registered, mail half an hour earlier).

## Outward Mails

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Air Mail and Parcel Posts close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. Letters close before 10 a.m. Registered and Parcel Posts close at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO closing times.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Closing Times by Air

Canton and Hankow, (Kowloon GPO) 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m. (GPO) 9.30 a.m., Noon.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8 p.m. 4.30/5. (GPO) 9.30 a.m., Noon.

Airmail for Kunming and Calcutta, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 10/2. (GPO) 9.30 a.m., Noon.

Airmail for Taliang, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 10/2. (GPO) 9.30 a.m., Noon.

Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 10/2. (GPO) 9.30 a.m., Noon.

Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Batavia, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 10/2. (GPO) 10 a.m. 20/2.

Airmail for Halong and Hanoi, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 10/2. (GPO) 10 a.m. 20/2.

Closing Time by Sea

Swatow, 10 a.m.

Shanghai, 10 a.m.

Taihkuon (via Canton), 10 a.m.

Formosa via Keelung, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Closing Times by Air

Canton and Hankow, (Kowloon GPO) 7.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m. (GPO) 7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m. (GPO) 9 a.m.

Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m. (GPO) 10 a.m.

Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) 11 a.m. (GPO) 11.30 a.m.

Airmail for Shanghai, Nanking and Tsinan, (Reg.) 11 a.m. (GPO) 11.30 a.m.

Airmail for Fochow, (Reg.) 8 p.m. (GPO) 8.30 p.m.

# CHILDREN OF THE RAF'S MERCY AIR-LIFT

**A.V. SELLWOOD** tells how thousands of youngsters are being flown from Berlin to a new future

Like, the pretty German blonde, sits beside the RAF pilot as the Dakota drones Westwards through the corridor.

We have left Gatow ten minutes behind us. We are on our way to Lubeck in the British zone.

And, in case anyone should think it a little irregular that a German blonde should sit so chummily beside a British pilot, I had better explain.

She is eight years old. Her tight rolled-blanks the satchel clasped excitedly in her hand, the wriggling excited feet, could belong to your daughter, my daughter, or the pilot's daughter, the daughter back home in the Surrey suburbs, the daughter whose picture rests in his tunic pocket.

Thousands of words have been written, millions of figures compiled, to show the world the monumental success of the air-into Berlin.

## Outward Bound

Only an occasional communiqué reveals the other side of the picture—the story of the people who are being flown out, the mercy missions of air crews who are making one, two, three sorties a day to give old people and young children new chances of life in the West.

Nearly 40,000 passengers have been brought from Berlin and of this total 991 were sick, needing treatment not obtainable in Berlin, and 11,378 were delicate or undernourished children accompanied by mothers and escorts.

Most of the children came out under a scheme which is a triumph of smooth co-operation between German health officials,

the men and women of Control Commission, and the organisers of the air-lift.

It is 10.45 a.m. As the grey morning spreads over smokeless chimneys of Berlin the children arrive at Gatow under the care of a British escort.

"They're in the best of spirits, bawling songs at the top of their voices, swinging their huge identify labels up and down, hurling satchels and small bags into the waiting Dakota.

A cluster of Rommel caps and fun hats, they clamber into the aircraft while a German school-ma'am vainly attempts to secure order and silence. Where she fails the pilot succeeds.

## 'Are You Happy?'

Then a short address is made, well received. The CCG man advises how the escape hatches open, where the bags are kept in which small Berliners may be politely air sick (but YOU won't be sick, he adds comfortingly) while one of the crew checks that every one of his small charges has his or her safety belt buckled according to regulations.

The school-ma'am settles uneasily in the corner next to the crew's compartment. The children cheerfully recommence their singing. "Every-one

## In Defence of Dak

I ask the Captain. He says: "Daks feature so often in crashes merely because there are so many of them. They're really the safest machines. Say a word in their favour...if you've got the space."

I've said it, Lubeck, base that operates the Dakotas on the air-lift, and place where most of the children arrive, is sensitive on this score. So far its Daks have made over 10,000 sorties, carried nearly 50,000 tons of passengers and freight.

She is brought forward into the cockpit when we are ten minutes from Berlin. She spends

another ten minutes sucking an orange given her by the signaller and asking questions such as "Where are we?" "Is this the British zone yet?"

We touch down at Lubeck. The aircraft slows to a stop. The engine noise cuts out. Two minutes after the words "Remove safety belts" 21 children are indulging in what appears to be a Ruggit serum on the tarmac.

Only the school-ma'am has been sick. Again the Captain restores order among the children.

A truck arrives with two grinning Germans who shepherd them on the first stage of their journey—a night at Lubeck reception centre before they go on to hospital, hotels and friends in Hamburg, Dusseldorf and other areas.

## Making Friends

What effect is this aspect of the air-lift having on the future? Will the boys and girls who so cheerfully waved goodbye and shouted "Thank you, R.A.F." grow into the Nazis of 1950?

I asked Major A. Simmonds, CCG representative at Lubeck, controlling transport of refugees, old and young. He said:

"Only time can show. But the journey gives the kids something they will remember all their lives."

"In my opinion it makes them far more friendly than quite a lot of school lessons, and enhances our prestige."

Two hours later we are on our way back to Berlin. Our cargo this time? Oxygen cylinders for Berlin housewives, food for the Berlin housewife. The air-lift rumbles on.

# Wanted--A Union Of Brass Hats

By Captain Russell Grenfell, RN

The senior Socialist Ministers, being presumably a little dubious about the efficacy of the broadcast appeals for more recruits for the regular branches of the Fighting Services, have now roped in Mr. Churchill to try his spell-binding powers.

I feel certain that what is essentially an economic problem is not to be solved by oratory, not even Mr. Churchill's.

Indeed, none should know better than our present Ministers that verbal appeals to patriotism cut no ice and grease no hawsse-pipes which the pay packet is concerned. They tried this technique-out on the trade unions over the wage stabilisation question. But the comrades did not respond. They assumed the frozen face and continued their claim.

The members of the Regular Forces are far from being unduly mercenary in their outlook. If it is not money that they are thinking of when they join up, they are thinking of money very soon after, and for the same reason that Antarctic explorers think and talk of little but food—because they haven't got enough of it.

**General Impoverishment**

Never before today has there been such general impoverishment in the Fighting Services. There is hardly an officer who is not in debt and the economic position of the lower ranks is correspondingly bad. Knowing this their brothers, sons, nephews, and cousins, being in any case affected by post-war anti-Service reaction, naturally look elsewhere for a career.

The basic trouble is that the pyramid of Service pay has been squeezed so flat that it is now impossible to raise anyone's pay without giving him more than the rank above him; which explains among other things, why many men refuse to go in for promotion which carries greater responsibility but hardly any more cash.

The only way any worth-while pay reform can be made is a substantial increase at the top, as the necessary prelude to increases lower down.

Unfortunately, for everyone concerned, the politicians evidently regard it as undemocratic to give increased pay to admirals, generals, and the like—probably because there seems to be a notion that they are in some way representative of the idle rich.

**Admirals And Dentists**

Actually, their pay is absurdly low. The nationalised dentist is allowed to earn £4,800 a year without being thought overpaid. I tremulously listen to say that I am all for dentists being well rewarded; but I should hardly have thought that their national responsibilities are nearly twice as heavy as those of the admiral who commands the Home Fleet, whose pay amounts to £2,920.

Senior officers have always told their juniors that they must never hesitate on their own behalf: their seniors will do it for them. Now is the time for the seniors to act on those promises. What is needed for the solution of the manning problem is a sober Union of super Brass Hats.

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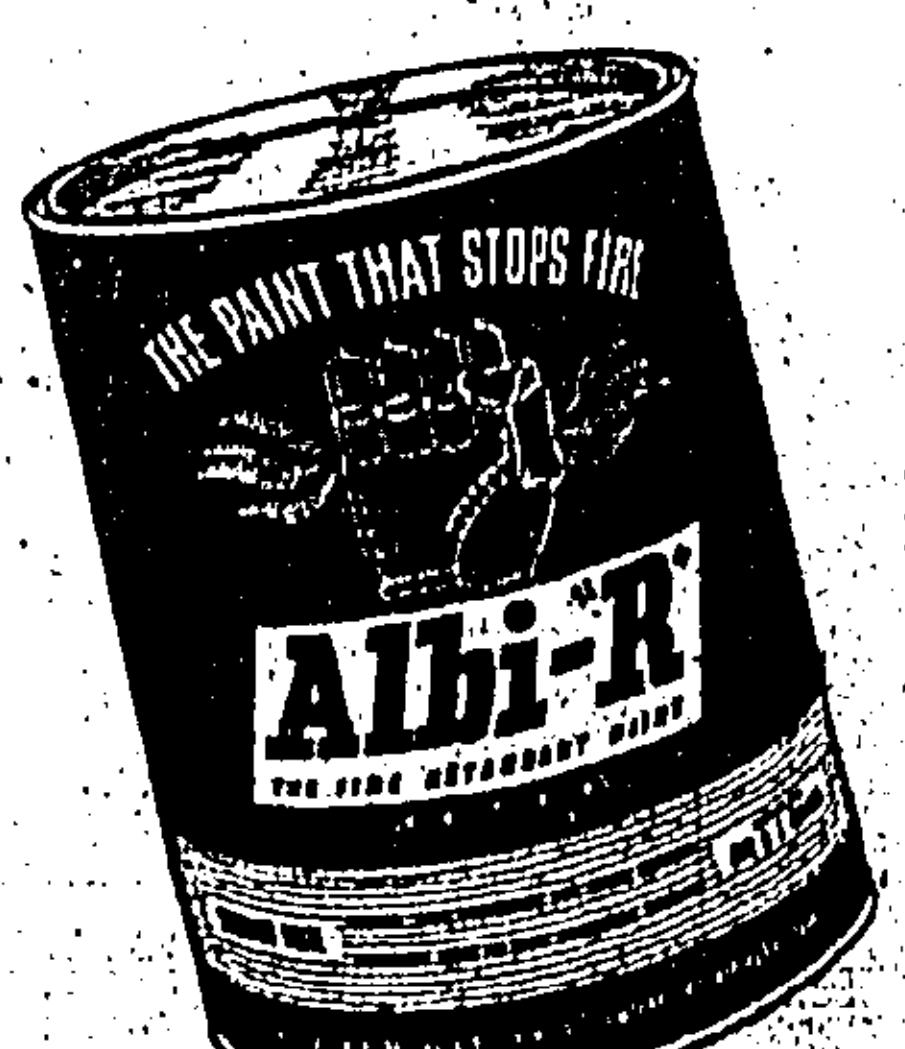
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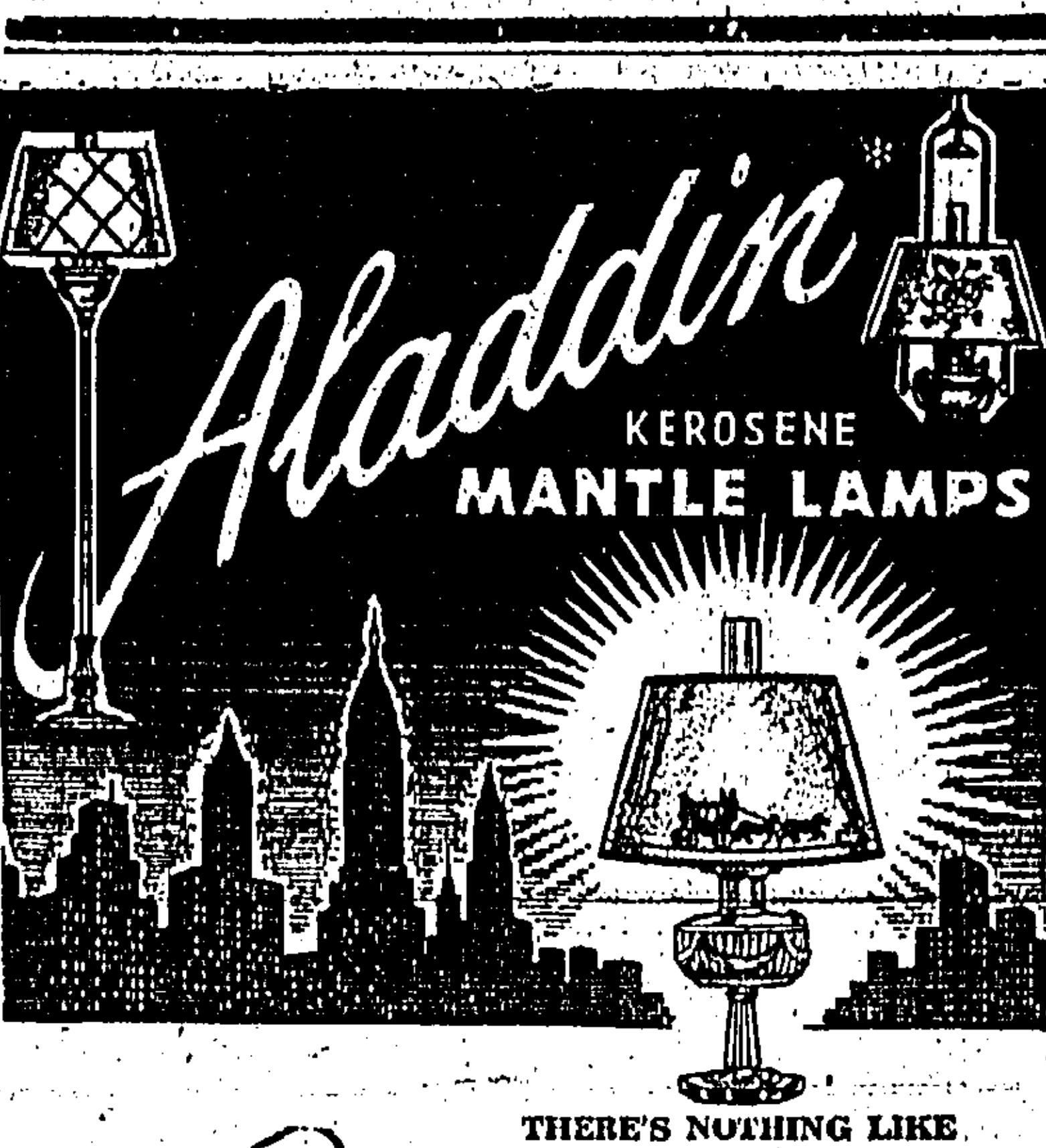
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## BRITAIN'S COMMUNISTS KEEPING UNDER COVER

London, February 19.  
British Communists are showing a tendency to go underground. Political observers say they are reverting to pre-war camouflage tactics.

Their object is to meet more successfully the anti-Communist campaign started both by the Labour government and the trade union leadership. The new tactics are designed to protect the individual Communist Party members against purges now in progress among both civil servants and trade union officials.

The British Communist Party is believed to have instructed its members among the civil servants to resign outwardly from the party and to dissociate them-

selves from it but to keep discreet contact with the party machinery.

### SECRET, SAUGHT

Thus the Communist Party would have in future a category of secret members known only to trusted party officials and others who are considered as "non-party people" or as "sympathizers."

Similar tactics are known to

have been adopted successfully by numerous Communist parties before the war.

British trade union quarters believe the Communist camouflage manoeuvre will make itself felt in the British trade union movements as well. The Communist Party politburo, it is said, is taking for granted that the front-rank Communist trade union leaders will have to leave their posts before long.

In view of that, eventually, trade union circles suspect, a second set of Communists will be standing ready to step in and to carry on the infiltration work.

Such new Communist agents in the trade union movement, trade union circles gather, are likely to operate most carefully and are expected to seek election to trade union posts in the disguise of non-Communists."

### Campaign-Succeeding

Trade union quarters admit it would be more difficult to counter-act the manoeuvres of the new type of underground Communists than the intrigues of openly-operating party members.

The claim that the campaign against the latter, which was started last November, has been eminently successful so far, since more than half of the almost 20 unions affiliated with the TUC have endorsed the official anti-Communist line of the TUC general council.

The remaining unions are holding executive committee meetings and almost all of them are ex-

pected to subscribe to the purge of Communist trade union officials.

The TUC pamphlet warning the individual unions against Communist infiltration has become a best-seller, and three editions were sold out in one month alone.

The official anti-Communism of the TUC met opposition only in isolated cases, such as the Scottish mining workers.—United Press.

### MURDERER TO GET PARDON?

Springfield, Illinois, February 18.

Nathan Leopold, who is serving two sentences for one of the nation's most sensational murders, is to be granted a parole hearing on April 12 for his work as a "guinea pig" in wartime malarial experiments.

Leopold is serving sentences of life and 99 years for the kidnapping and killing in 1924 of 14-year-old Bobbie Franks of Chicago.—United Press.

## PURGE OF BRITISH SCIENTISTS

London, February 18.  
Four more British scientists, doing secret work in the Admiralty and the Ministry of Supply, have been discharged as suspected Communists.

None was employed on atomic research.

The new purge raises to 18 the number of Whitehall dismissals on political grounds and swiftly follows the demand made by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of the United States to the U.S. Secretary of State for guarantees that Western European nations remove Communists from Government ranks.

The demand was made in connection with the North Atlantic Pact.—United Press.

## ALGERIAN FREEDOM DEMANDED

London, February 18.  
Ahmed Medzina, Algerian deputy in the French Parliament, today demanded complete and immediate independence for Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia.

Medzina, an Arab Moslem and one of five members of the Algerian Popular Party elected to the French Chamber of Deputies, made the demand at a press conference attended by representatives of the Egyptian Embassy and the Lebanese Legation.

He said the French Government shows a total lack of understanding for the dependent peoples of the French Union. This, he said, also applies to the Socialists, who became reactionaries after they entered the Government.

Medzina listed three movements in Northern Africa which he said, are determined to obtain full independence—his own Algerian People's Party, the Neo-Destour Party of Tunisia and the Idrisabad Party of Morocco.

He described his Party as democratic and said he has no connection with the Algerian Communists, since the latter approve of the French Union.

He added that he wants to see Libya free and unified, but under a Republic and not a monarchy.—United Press.

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Since the end of the war, 16 battleships have been scrapped, 12 aircraft carriers have been broken up, reverted to merchant service or returned to the United States, while 30 cruisers and 100 destroyers have been scrapped, discarded or transferred to foreign powers.

Yet not a single warship of any of these categories has been ordered in the three and a half years' tenure of the present Government. Moreover, the construction of even these warships laid down by the previous Government is practically at a standstill.

## No Advance

Of the 10 aircraft carriers now in commission under construction the Eagle, laid down in 1942, is not yet completed, while her sister ship, Ark Royal, begun in 1943, is not yet even launched.

Of the four begun in 1944-45, the Audacious, Bulwark, and Centaur have been launched, but not the Hornbeam.

Of the remaining four, begun in 1945, the contracts for the Hercules, Leviathan and Power-

ful have been allowed to lapse under a time clause, and although work on the Majestic is to start soon, she is going to the Royal Australian Navy. No work is being done on the cruisers Defence and Tiger, begun in 1942-43; and none of the eight large "D" class destroyers ordered during the war has yet been launched.

Warships cancelled after the war include the aircraft carriers Gibraltar, Malta, and New Zealand, 45,000 tons each, and the carriers Eagle, 36,500 tons, and Arrogant, 34,000 tons. Polyphemus, and original Formes of 16,500 tons; the cruisers Bellorophon

and Hawke; 40 large destroyers of the "D," "Weapon," and "Battle" classes; and thirty large "A" class submarines. Many of these have been laid down or launched, but were broken up.

In August, 1950, we had 15 battleships, seven aircraft carriers, 65 cruisers, 180 destroyers, 57 submarines and 40 escort vessels.

Today we have five battleships, 12 aircraft carriers, 26 cruisers (excluding five for disposal), 112 destroyers, 68 submarines, and 170 frigates.

Our present strength in these categories is not equal to what we could expect to lose in war.

During 1939-45 we lost five battleships, eight aircraft carriers, 20 cruisers, and 15 armed merchant cruisers, 130 destroyers, 63 submarines, and 62 frigates.

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## PALESTINE TALKS ENTER LAST LAP

London, February 18. The Egyptian-Israel armistice talks in Rhodes today entered what observers describe as the last lap of discussion over Beersheba, chief town of the Negev.

The Egyptians have asked the Israelis to evacuate their troops from the town and substitute a civil administration.

### ZAMORA DIES IN EXILE

Buenos Aires, February 18. Senor Alcila Zamora, former President of Spain, died in Buenos Aires this morning. He was 71.

Known for his oratory and simile, he became the first President of Spain after the fall of the Monarchy in 1931. Deposed by the Cortes shortly before the civil war in 1936, Senor Zamora went into exile first in France and then in Argentina.

He first became a Cabinet Minister in 1917. Five years later he retired from public life till 1930, when he emerged as a prime mover in the events that led to the overthrow of King Alfonso.

He came from Andalusia—the "Garden of Spain." Dark-skinned, shabbily dressed and insignificant looking, he preferred his Madrid home to the former Royal Palace in Madrid, using the latter only for his official duties.

As President he returned to the Treasury considerable sums from his salary of about £50,000 a year. After his election he gave his first day's pay to a fund for poor children.

In 1941, after he had left Spain, a Franco court sentenced him to 15 years' exile and confiscation of all his fortune.—Reuter.

### PRO-NAZI PAPER UNDER BAN

Berlin, February 18. The American authorities have banned the circulation in the American Zone of the Swiss bimonthly "Neue Politik" published in Zurich, alleging it is a vehicle for Nazi views and anti-occupying propaganda.

The issue of the paper is such as to offend and command to the German people the wrong kind of nationalism, and each issue contains malicious articles about some phase of the occupation in Germany," Colonel Gordon Textor, Director of the American Information Services, stated.—Reuter.

The Israeli will refuse, as they did an earlier Egyptian demand that they evacuate the town entirely.

Conference circles in Rhodes generally predict that the Egyptians will accept the Israeli viewpoint that they must retain full military control of Beersheba.

The Israeli representatives are reported to have told the Egyptians that the town is too far behind the front lines to constitute a threat against Egypt.

The expected return to Rhodes of the Israeli legal adviser, Dr. Rosen, is held to indicate in informed quarters that the drafting of an armistice agreement may be well under way by the week-end, with a possible signing early next week. It is not now believed possible for this to take place at the week-end.

Well-informed sources in Damascus disclose details of a Jewish-Libanese armistice draft agreement drawn up at several frontier meetings.

### Jerusalem

The Jewish terms are said to include:

1. Withdrawal of the Arab Liberation Army (sponsored and financed by the Arab League) and two Syrian Army regiments from Lebanon's territory.

2. Liquidation of Lebanese rural properties in Galilee by sale of the Jewish National Fund.

3. Jewish civilian rights in the Lebanon to be preserved.

The Jews undertake to pay compensation for private property in Palestine belonging to Lebanese nationals.

The Egyptian newspaper "Al Ahram" reports that a proposal to leave the Old City of Jerusalem to the Arabs and the New City to the Jews is being studied by the Sub-Committee of the Palestine Conciliation Commission.

The proposal provides for the establishment of a joint Council of Representatives of Arabs and Jews, and delegates from the United States, Britain and France, to administer both parts of the Holy City.—Reuter.

### 80-YEAR-OLD IMMIGRANT

Perth, February 18. The liner Ranchi arrived in Fremantle from London today with 937 immigrants aboard.

They include 80-year-old Mrs. E. Titchburn from Croydon, who will join her son, Reginald Hill, in Sydney.—Associated Press.

Unofficial reports said that the

Karens, who want to set up an independent Karen state, made an unsuccessful all-night bid to

knock out Government forces

### American Use Of Manus Base

Canberra, February 19. Australian External Affairs Minister, Herbert Evatt, said yesterday that American naval forces will use Manus Island in an emergency and Australia will use American bases.

Mr. Evatt told the House of Representatives that there have been no differences between Australia and the United States over the Australian Government's decision to take over the Manus base which was built by America during the war.

Manus is an Australian mandate in the Admiralty.—Associated Press.

## Supernatural Events Not Yet Established

London, February 19.

The psychic world has been shaken by the contention of a brilliant young investigator that despite 70 years of research, it still needs more evidence to convince science that there are such things as supernormal happenings. Into the paranormal class Dr. D. J. West lumped premonitions, apparitions or ghosts, telepathy and dreams that come true.

The essence of this report, published by the Society for Psychical Research, is that there is no unshakable case for any of the categories.

In criticising or pointing out the possibility of error in some of the classic cases usually presented as evidence of paranormal events, Dr. West emphasised that dreams occasionally do come true and that telepathy does work on occasion.

But he understands that there is no evidence that happens outside the usual mathematical laws of probability. Thus millions of people dream every night and it would be unusual if some of these dreams did not coincide with an event.

Millions of people are thinking of other people, so it is likewise not surprising that there are some "telepathic" contacts.

### Classic Cases

Dr. West has done intensive investigation into alleged mischievous ghosts called poltergeists and other psychic phenomena, does not feel that such inquiries should be ended. He said the few exceptional examples do strongly suggest a psychic explanation and it is the duty of investigators to see that final proof either for or against the theory is produced.

### No Real Evidence

Dr. West considers that the best case of its kind but pointed out that it could have been a hallucination. At least, the copper-riveted evidence that it was not a hallucination is not available.

Hallucination, he adds, can produce remarkable effects.

With the hope that investigators would make greater efforts to obtain unassailable evidence, Dr. West related the case of the president of a small club who met once a month in England. At the time of the meeting the president was very ill and while the other members were discussing business they were startled to see the deathly-pale figure of their president walk into the clubroom and take his place in the vacant chair.

The apparition looked about in silence for a moment, rose and walked out. The members talked over the visitation and next morning learned the president had died at about the time they thought they saw him.

Dr. West said the incident created a tremendous furor and affidavits attesting to the ghost were drawn up. But later a nurse confessed that she had left the patient's bedside to go to a nearby shop and that when she returned she found him dead. He came back soon, however, collapsed and died. She never dared to reveal what happened for fear of ruining her professional reputation.

The community added that government reinforcements have been rushed to the defense of Elm and Pyinmana on the Rangoon-Mandalay railroad. Meanwhile, a captured commander of mutinous Burmese Army troops broadcast a radio appeal yesterday to rebellious Karen tribesmen: "Sue for peace—yours is a lost cause."

Lieutenant-Colonel Mya Young, commander of the Second Burma Rifles, advised Karens to surrender before it is too late. He was captured while leading revolting army troops in a drive from Prome to assist the Karen fighting in Insein.

His broadcast was over the Government-owned Rangoon radio.—Associated Press.

### WHEAT BOMBSHELL

Washington, February 19. The World Conference here that she is not at the present time prepared to become a party to any international wheat agreement the Conference may negotiate.

The leader of the Argentine delegation told the Conference this action had been decided on because of the price scales which may be written into the agreement.—Reuter.

He also wants to know whether the Minister is satisfied that the security of the anti-aircraft detection devices in the British Isles will not be compromised by the presence there of "this worship of a foreign power."

Mr. Platts-Mills was expelled from the Labour Party last year because his views were considered to be on the left.—Reuter.

## NOT TO BE THERE WILL BE BEST

London, February 19.

British Army officers were advised today that the best defence against the atomic bomb is not to be there when it goes off.

"The British Army Journal," a new War Office publication, said the problem of defence against the bomb is the most awesome of all.

It said that in an atom bomb raid 99 per cent may be casualties and continued: "The use of rockets to carry the bomb makes the picture even worse."

"Whether we shall succeed in designing an effective active defence for a long time is most problematical."

The article added: "There is reason to hope that protective weapons and technique will be improved. It is possible to design air raid shelters to give the maximum protection, and this protection will be quite appreciable."—Reuter.

### EIGHT KILLED IN AIR CRASH

Buenos Aires, February 18.

The United States Embassy today announced that Colonel Gerald Williams, United States Air Attaché here, his wife and six U. S. Air Force men were killed when a C-47 belonging to the Air Force crashed in the mountains of North Western Argentina.

Mrs. Williams was the daughter of Colonel Arthur Parker, who was killed at Corregidor by the Japanese.—United Press.

### VACCINE RUSHED FOR REFUGEES

Paris, February 18.

Medical supplies worth \$100,000, including diphtheria vaccine, DDT and skin, eye and intestinal medicine, are being rushed to Middle East refugees, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund announced here today.

The World Health Organization has asked for the supplies.—Reuter.

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## SOVIET LABOUR CAMPS A BIT OF HEAVEN!

Lake Success, February 18.

Julius Katz-Suchy of Poland today termed American accusations that millions of persons are held in slavery by the Soviet Union a ridiculous fantasy.

He told the Economic and Social Council that workers in the world's capitalist countries are actually feudal serfs.

In a two-hour speech to the Council, he devoted two minutes to defence of Russian corrective labour camps, which he claimed are pleasant, self-governing, self-supporting communities with universities, hospitals, stores, apartment houses, factories and recreation facilities. He added that most of the inmates are juvenile delinquents.

The Polish representative was participating in a debate over the United States' proposal that the International Labour Organization, a UN affiliate, and the Human Rights Commission study the problem of forced labour throughout the world. The American proposal was based on

### Acquittal Of Colonel

Hanover, February 18. Lieutenant Colonel Percy Firth was acquitted by a Control Commission High Court today on a charge of stealing 91 tons of scrap.

Colonel Firth belongs to the Reparations Deliveries and Restitutions Branch of the Allied Control Commission. The scrap was alleged to have been stolen from a British Army depot near Hildesheim and a German dismantling contractor was alleged to have received it.

Judge Howe today said the prosecution had failed to prove the theft. The judge said the commander of the depot who had given permission for the scrap to be removed thought that Colonel Firth was entitled to dispose of it.

In Britain, the judge said, a jury might have found Firth guilty of false pretences but in the present trial that was not possible.—Reuters.

a recent memorandum submitted by the American Federation of Labour.

Mr. Katz-Suchy scoffed at American accusations that between 8,000,000 and 14,000,000 persons are held in Soviet forced labour camps, but refrained from stating the number of corrective labour camp inmates.

### No Pay

He said: "The use of injunctions and the Taft-Hartley Act likewise means forcing workers to work (in the U.S.)"

He added the negro and Mexican labourers are held in bondage and in peonage. He claimed also that less than one-third of the workers are free and that in South Africa and the British and Belgian African colonies, the natives are forced to work for no pay or for so little they are never out of debt.

Delegates interested in injecting the issue into the United Nations are delaying any final decision until they see what, if anything the United States and Britain plan to do about it.—United Press.

## Maine To Moscow In Five Hours

Washington, February 19. United States Senator Millard Tydings says the American Air Force has a plane that can carry a 10,000 pound bomb load from Maine to Moscow in five hours.

He identified the craft as the at an average of 607 miles per hour.

Senator Tydings got out an air map of the direct Police route from Presque Isle, Maine, to Moscow showing a distance above 3,000 miles. Some mileage charts indicate roughly 4,200 miles.

"What I intended to say was that if this bomber had a 10,000 mile range, it could fly to Moscow and back and then start a third trip," Senator Tydings said.

"Obviously, if it goes more than 800 miles an hour, it could reach Moscow in five hours and a few minutes."

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## WHAT AM I TO BE— A YANK OR A LIMEY?

Ah I to be a Limey, or a Yank? I am a guy—or a bloke—a personal problem.

Within a year I have to decide which way of life I shall follow—the English or the American.

My roots are in England. The nursing home in Hampsire where I was born is now a hole in the ground.

For 10 years in America I had longed to see the house in Highgate which was my home until I was seven.

On the train from Scotland, too, I saw the English countryside with its green fields and running streams, and I thought of California with its hills brown and dry; you were lucky to find a dirty spring there. But I love those hills.

I could grab my gun, fitted with a scope sight which cost almost as much as the rifle, my bedroll, a few cans of pork and beans, step out of my back door, and wander out into the sage scrub oak for days, shooting at whatever came along...

Maybe it would be a deer, a coyote, a rabbit, or a porcupine. I could sort of match myself against the wild, get away from bricks and mortar. They tell me I'd have to be a rich man's son to do that sort of living here.

### No Starvation

Out there in the hills there were plenty of rattle-snakes—poisonous, of course, and they don't always rattle when they intend to strike; but you can fry them and they are very good to eat.

I thought that I'd come back to London to find people starving, lying in the gutters, or looking very, very thin on the hoof.

It isn't as bad as that, but I got a shock when I had a medium-sized steak and my father told me I had eaten up my week's meat ration.

I'm used to drinking at least a quart of milk a day, and now I'm lucky if I get a glass.

But I get a great kick out of London. Whenever I have a spare half-hour I find myself walking up Ludgate-hill and going into St. Paul's. It has beauty and

### "NO JITTERS" ADVICE TO U.S.

Washington February 18. President Truman's leading economic adviser, Dr. Edwin Nourse, said today that everything will be all right if people avoid getting jittery over healthy price declines.

Dr. Nourse, who is Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors, speaking to reporters at the White House after conferring with the President, said the country is in a period of disorientation. He is not alarmed over price declines.

If the country gets into the jittery stage the situation may be snowballed into a recession, he added.—Reuters.



seem only too pleased to tell you where you are and where to get off...

I thought that Londoners didn't like jazz or didn't understand it. I changed my mind after visiting the London Jazz Club.

The place was jammed with people, most of them just listening.

But the dancing—well, to me it looked like some rough stuff straight out of the jungle. The boys and girls were just hopping and leaping around.

They were having fun, too, when I went to Richmond to see my first Rugby match. I play American football; I play centre for my high school in California.

With me American football is tops, but I can see that Rugby is a darn good game.

### English Accent

Then there's Piccadilly-circus, which I am told, was the centre of the world. It looks cheap to me, with its gaudy advertising and a clash of architecture. In fact, it seems an undernourished Times-square. But I'll take most of London, its buildings, churches, tradition.

By IAN COSTER, Jr.,  
who left England when  
he was eight years old  
and is now back at 18.

splendour. The Nelson monument in Trafalgar-square hits me too.

London traffic is smart. Apart from the fact that driving on the left-hand side of the road is hard to get used to, and I nearly get killed every time I try to cross a street, I think that Londoners drive more carefully than they do in Los Angeles. Motoring is a necessity out there; here it seems to be a luxury.

Car 'Luxury'

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London is friendly. The conductors on buses and railways

## MEN SPRING DOLLAR TRAP

New York Monday. "T-Men," as they are called here—otherwise agents, or snoops, from British Treasury—have quietly plugged up another sterling-dollar leak.

This time it's in the Bahamas, that chain of 700 islands and more than 2,000 "cays" that stretches down off the Florida coast into the Caribbean.

Last year Britons were spending money in Nassau, the Crown Colony's capital, like "drunken sailors" (to use a phrase from the editor of the local newspaper).

It was being spent, admittedly, in the official local currency—Bahamian pounds, to buy up property, parts of islands, or whole cays. Sums of several thousand pounds were being paid for lots on the island of New Providence, a lot being approximately a quarter of an acre.

It was also being spent on roulette and in the baccarat room in the casino at the Bahamian Club.

And it was being spent in buying American dollars on the Black Market at anything from \$2.00 to \$3.00 for £1, the official rate being \$4.00.

### 'Poor' British

Tales began trickling, then cascading, back here of the "poor British from 'starving' Britain (then about to receive first shipment under the Marshall Plan), some of whom were wagering up to £2,000 on the turn of a card.

Another contributory reason is that most of the best residential and business properties have already been snapped up. The prices paid were so high that land values and rents have soared far beyond the ability of even booming Nassau.

Result: The English who are

left have to absorb public resentment for what their fellow countrymen did last year with their post-war wads of notes.

Another reason is that a locally imposed building limit of £0,000 is in force, unless it is for dollar-curing purposes.

One exception to all this is Billy Butlin, whose sterling investments have caused no official concern.

He's building a mammoth holiday village on Grand Bahama Island, 50 miles from the Florida coast.

With Miami only an hour's flying time away from Nassau, and some of the old rum-runner islands of Prohibition days a mere 40 miles, there was a constant flow of surprisingly dollar rich Englishmen skipping over and back to the U.S.

It's a different picture now. As a result of unobtrusive visits from the Treasury men, along with their colleagues from Scotland Yard, Islander say there's been a big clean-up. There are fewer Britons certainly of the undrinkable, extravagant ones, and none of the objectionable "money-to-burn" behaviour.

Purposa is, of course, to attract chiefly Americans with their dollars, though Britons who come with their pounds, shillings, and pence will get a look-in.

## Away-From-It-All Emigrants

### Are Streaming Home

By One Of Them—Teacher BETTY BRIGHT

After eight months of a life far more nerve-racking than the six years of war in England, I came back from New Zealand with nothing but bitter experience to show for the expenditure of more than £400. I had intended to settle there for life.

A man with his wife and child spent £1,000 in a similar unsuccessful attempt.

Obviously the shipping companies are profiting from the returning migrants.

We know these things exist in England, too, but we find that they flourish in New Zealand.

As for the cost of living there, the following figures, relating to early 1948, illustrate what awaits the hard-pressed settler.

As a woman teacher of 10 years' experience my salary in England is £202. And these were the highlights of an initial budget:

	N.Z.	England
Food	£104	£65
Clothes	£23	£14
Other expenses (inc. transport)	£41	£20
Total	£232	£172

New Zealand wage rates are fixed by a tribunal, and a firm cannot pay more except by special permission. Ways of getting over this are used, e.g., a typist may expect and get a "board allowance" in addition to the award rate. The usual working week in New Zealand is 40 hours, compared with England's 44.

In Three Years

During the three years ended March 31, 1948, 21,104 undischarged immigrants arrived in New Zealand intending to settle, but 16,458 people departed permanently.

Of the 13,230 people who arrived from the United Kingdom 4,950 have returned home.

New Zealand is a beautiful country where there is more food and sunshine than in England. There is also far more unhappiness.

I believe this is due to the selfishness of most New Zealanders, who seem to me to have very little sense of social or moral responsibility to the community. English people in New Zealand are almost invariably shocked by the frequency with which they meet unkindness, dishonesty, corruption, and drunkenness.

Thousands of New Zealanders live under canvas in motor camps because they cannot afford, or cannot obtain, better.

Luckier ones are in transit camps. A friend of mine lived in one with her husband and child. For 14s. a week she had a two-roomed hut, equipped with a wood-burning range, a sink with one tap, and one power-point.

There were communal laundry and bathing facilities.

Kitchens Poor

Kitchens and washhouse equipment and the sanitation in New Zealand houses frequently surprise English people because they are so primitive.

I stayed in 11 private houses and saw only one gas poker and only one plate-rack. Both had built-in cupboards for food and clothes were an improvement on those in most English houses.

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The magazine said the plan has been approved by the Secretary of Defense, Mr. James Forrestal, and is now before President Truman.—Reuter.

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FITCHES—At the Queen Mary Hospital, on the 19th of February, 1949, to John and Douglas, a sister for Winifred Kathleen "Josephine" Lesley.

## FEAR OF JAPAN

To the accompaniment of 10-year-old echoes, British wool manufacturers and exporters are becoming perturbed at what they call unfair Japanese competition. Mr. D. Price, their representative, is flying to Tokyo to consult with SCAP regarding the cut-throat methods of the little yellow men.

It is pointed out that in the great markets of India, South Africa—and Hong Kong, lack of confidence is being shown in British textiles, in view of Japanese products eight to 10 shillings a yard cheaper. Nipponese buying of medium and faulty grades of Australian wool, it is further emphasised, has boosted prices and weakened Britain's competitive position.

This is all very understandable, and the same can be said for cotton, silk and shipbuilding. On the other hand, from a purely objective viewpoint, one cannot help being wryly amused when exponents of free enterprise (competition is the lifeblood of trade) become piously indignant at competition which undersells their own goods. It would almost appear that Western factory owners had instituted trade unions in their own countries, and voluntarily raised wage levels to such an extent that their upright but costly products should be acceptable everywhere, rather than the results of sweat labour. It raised a furore in London 15 years ago when a Cheapside shop advertised that a man could be outfitted with hat, overcoat, suit, shirt, socks and shoes—all for £1 sterling, the remarkable shoddy garments having been made in Japan. And Birmingham protested strongly when Indians and Africans began buying bicycles for 17/6d. when they could have bought the British article for £4.

This, however, is a pure quibble. In 1949, when Japan is in the role of defeated nation, under American control. Those peoples who were bled white in a war that was none of their making have a strong moral right to protest against competition which this time is unfair. The combination of American dollars and the exploitation of labour at a few cents a day can result in a flood of cheap goods which could overwhelm the slowly-reviving economies of the so-called victors. Nor is it enough for the probably harrassed occupation authorities, with the Treasury in Washington on their tails, to plead the need for Japan's rehabilitation and eventual independence of foreign aid.

The Yellow Peril has for years been a very real one, and it would be ironic indeed if the victims of Pearl Harbour were to be instrumental in unleashing it once more on a disjointed world.

Criticism of the MacArthur administration has materially increased in recent weeks, and the American public is slowly becoming disillusioned with the demigod, wondering if the spectacular qualities which made him successful in war are quite those required for the more routine problems of peace. Suspicions that the vested interests of the vast Japanese combines which prepared for war have basically been left untouched, and that the pre-war ruling class of militarists are as firmly entrenched as ever, are being voiced by one observer after another. Those who said that if the Mikados were left on the throne, the war clique always predicted, then Japan had suffered only a temporary setback by this war, now

# Questions The Tories Have To Answer

By The Rt. Hon. HAROLD MACMILLAN, M.P.

solves and to save democracy in the world?

Can we make the spiritual without which we shall never achieve the material?

It is becoming ever more obvious that there is no longer any hope for Britain, or for Europe, save in a moral and spiritual revival, by which alone the onset of Communism can be resisted.

It is, perhaps, not worth arguing now whether or not those loans (or gifts as they have proved to be) were wisely spent. They amounted to £1,250 millions. Anyway, they have gone.

The American aid will see us through 1949; and, if Congress takes a favourable view of our efforts, it may be voted again, in either the same, or substantially the same, amounts for several more years to come.

This year, therefore taking the short view, we shall not be worse off than in 1948. We shall get the same rations—or, thereabouts—and probably sufficient raw materials to keep our factories going.

## SOCIALISTS MEDICINE

But we cannot live on American aid for ever. We have to lay the foundations now for economic independence in the future.

The chief contribution to industrial reconstruction made by the Government so far has been the "socialising" of certain major industries.

All Europe faces the Communist menace. This year may be a year of vital importance in the great struggle.

During recent months—rather tentatively—we have at last taken some steps towards promoting that European unity which Churchill proclaimed as a practical necessity, as well as an ideal, in the famous Zurich speech.

We are feeling our way towards some joint strategical plans for security, and towards some economic plans for stability and an expanding economy.

## MUST NOT LAG

We must press forward, in spite of all the difficulties, with a real sense of urgency. The British Commonwealth and Empire, and United Europe must work in close harmony with each other and with the United States.

Britain must not lag behind. She must take the lead.

In this year we may see the real test. Shall we be able to maintain our position in Berlin, or shall we be forced to humiliating retreat—another Munich? Nineteen

# STALIN'S PEACE OFFENSIVE

Stalin has launched another peace offensive against the Western Powers. Only the day before he had thrown a bullying war-of-nerves Note at the head of Norway. The Note was delivered through the ordinary diplomatic channels, as would naturally be the case where business was intended.

The peace offensive used a different medium. It went through a journalistic channel obligingly opened for it by the Heart's Press. Anybody who studies the four questions put to Mr. Stalin and the four answers from him will have little difficulty in concluding that the questions were drafted at the Russian end quite as much as the answers.

Stalin's four original propositions, together with his subsequent broadcast offer to meet Mr. Truman in either Russia, Poland or Czechoslovakia, were submitted just Wednesday by Mr. Dean Acheson, the now American Secretary of State, to a careful analysis and commentary, since endorsed by Mr. Truman. Mr. Acheson's points were devastating.

Take, the first—Mr. Stalin's willingness to "consider issuing a joint declaration that the Governments of Russia and the United States had no intention of resorting to war against each other." Mr. Acheson reminded his hearers (1) that both Governments were already pledged in that sense, by the United Nations charter, and (2) that recently Mr. Truman had reaffirmed the pledge in his Inaugural speech. "He did not," observed Mr. Acheson, "say he was 'considering' making that statement; he made it."

Where does Mr. Stalin stand when he offers to "consider" pledging himself to something to which he is pledged already? Does he ignore the old pledge, augur any value for a new one? Or take the second subject—disarmament. What are the facts? That the United States was to divide and weaken American opinion, it has not been attained.

## Propaganda Aim

But probably that was not a large part of its object. It seems aimed rather at certain European audiences. They are, like the Soviet's own subjects, including the 100 million in the satellite countries added to its Empire since the war, and secondly, the 70-75 million Germans.

To join the second to the first, to convert the Germans into instruments of Russian policy, as the others have already been converted, is an immediate aim for the Kremlin's leaders. Could they realise it—they would have taken a long stride to the conquest of Europe.

In Germany, the Western Powers must watch closely, and rather cautiously, the effect of the Soviet propaganda. It is probably true that shows immediately in Berlin, in Berlin, that the Germans have accepted the Truman's more than the other occupying Powers.

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forty-nine will answer that question.

The air-lift is not a solution—it is an improvised expedient, brilliantly executed, but temporary. It cannot go on month after month, year after year.

The problem of Germany must be resolved. It can only be solved by itself. It can only be dealt with as part of the European problem as a whole.

Delay is already proving dangerous. The German people, for the first time, are torn between a desire to co-operate and an impulse to exist.

Two years ago—even a year ago—the dismantling policy could have been carried through. Now, it is doubtful whether it can be imposed without endangering fierce indignation and perhaps active resistance, passive or active.

Never was there such a story of vacillation and procrastination.

## ECONOMIC PLAN

At the same time, the occupation authorities are pressing Germany to raise her exports by every possible means to save dollars. In this, General Clay is the counterpart to Sir Stafford Cripps.

Indeed, since Russian occupation has deprived Germany of her Eastern territories, which before the war supplied her with food and raw materials, Germany will have to increase her efforts to an enormous figure if she is ever to be solvent. But these exports must be competitive with British and other Western European exports in the same markets.

Before 1949 is out, this may become a serious problem to British industrialists and trade unionists.

The economic plan for Europe contemplates a European deficiency of £750,000,000 at the end of 1952. If the German problem, with its reactions on the rest of Europe, is not tackled now, there may be a general collapse in which we must ourselves be involved.

Economic recovery in Europe, like military security, is vital to our survival. But, for this purpose, plans and statistical charts and economic surveys are not enough.

The conception of Western civilisation must be revitalised—that means the conception of Christian democracy, based on social progress in the widest sense, spiritual as well as material.

This can never be supplied by Socialism, which is essentially a materialist creed—dedicated to the welfare of man, and ignorant of the spiritual needs of man.

We are still in the pioneer stage with helicopters, and almost every day Britain's rotating-wing aircraft are taken up by experienced test pilots who, in co-operation with our designers and engineers, are trying to gain a lead for Britain in this highly specialised field of aviation.

# The Mysterious East



Probable influence of current events in China on future policy of the Kremlin.

# Sky Mail Waits While 'Hovers' Battle

By COURtenay EDWARDS

Stunt flights by helicopters of the kind referred to in this letter are highlights in a steady programme of development work on hoverplanes in Britain.

Talk to the men who are doing this job—men like Reginald Brie, Alan Bristow, and Basil Arkell—and they will tell you they don't like these publicity flights.

They say they interfere with their programme of flight-testing and other development work.

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## Quick Tour

Let us make a quick tour of the main centres of helicopter development in Britain—places where whirling wings are so commonplace that the local residents don't bother to look up any more.

**PETERBOROUGH** first. Here the helicopter unit of British European Airways under the direction of Wing Commander R. A. Brie is busy carrying out night flights and blind-flying tests.

They want to convince the GPO they can carry mail reliably and punctually in any weather, at all hours of the day and night.

**Roggie Brie** has a fleet of three four-seater Sikorsky and two-seater Bell—all built in America. Using these hoverplanes on a daily mail run for four months last year between Peterborough and Great Yarmouth, he achieved a regularly of 95 per cent.

Over to **HESTON**, Middlesex. Here Squadron Leader Basil Arkell and his colleagues are testing the Fairley Gyrodyne, the

first all-British commercial helicopter, which last June set up an international speed record for rotating-wing aircraft at 124.3 m.p.h.

## Two Built

And so to **VEGOL**. Here Westlands are building Sikorsky helicopters under licence, using the British Leondes engines.

So far they have built two, which between them have flown nearly 200 hours. They have orders from the Royal Navy, from the Continent, and from Egypt.

From the end of this month they will be building Sikorsky's at the rate of one a week, including passenger-carrying and top-dusting models.

Alan Bristow, their chief test pilot, has just been awarded a silver medal by the Royal Aero Club for lowering food to the marooned keepers of the Wolf Rock Lighthouse.

**AT SOUTHAMPTON** the Cleva Autogiro Company are testing their two-seater Skeeter and the fantastic three-rotor 24-seater Air Horse, biggest helicopter in the world. They are also working on a 10-12-seater three-rotor design.

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**On to FILTON**, Gloucestershire, where the Bristol Aeroplane Co.'s four-seater helicopter is piling up an impressive total of hours. Their Leondes-engined model is about to fly.

Mr. Raoul Hafner—the Bristol helicopter chief—is also working on a twin-rotor 12-seater, which will be able to fly on either of its two Leondes engines.

This is just the kind of hoverplane with which experts think scheduled passenger services will be introduced in Britain in three or four years' time.

# ONLY DIRECT ACTION CAN HALT COMMUNISM

## General Percival's Plan For Far East Troubles DEFINITE POLICY NEEDED

London, February 18. Lieutenant General A. E. Percival, former Malayan Commander, said today that only direct action by Britain and the United States can halt the spread of Communism in Asia. General Percival said: "The Communist trouble in Malaya had its origin in the early twenties, but it then was kept under control by a Government endowed with adequate powers. The Communists, however, made use of the resistance movement during the Japanese occupation to develop its strength and train its forces."

## COLONIAL GOVERNOR IN LONDON

London, February 18. The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, today received a memorandum from two West Indian trades union leaders requesting an interview and asking that Earl Baldwin be permitted to complete his term as Governor of the Leeward Islands.

Lord Baldwin, who returned to Britain last Saturday after being received to Britain for "consultations," has had three conferences with Mr. Creech Jones and is to have another next week.

The Colonial Secretary denied in the House of Commons that he had received representations from the local sugar growers for Lord Baldwin's recall or that he has taken umbrage at a speech by the Governor last December implying criticism of the colonial administration.

The two coloured labour leaders, who are also members of the Islands' Legislative Council, alleged that it would be unfair if Lord Baldwin was recalled as a result of representations by reactionaries.—Reuter.

## Vatican Courier Arrested

Budapest, February 19. Authoritative sources said today that a Vatican courier who was sent into Hungary after the arrest of Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, is being held under detention by the Hungarian police.

The courier, a Hungarian named Moczi, was picked up by the police as he was contacting Hungarian bishops with a letter from the Pope. He arrived early in January.

The letter urged the bishops to resist reaching an agreement with the state, and the courier was arrested on the grounds of interfering in state affairs.

Vatican City authoritative source said the Vatican is satisfied that the Pope's letter denouncing the arrest of Cardinal Mindszenty reached its destination in Hungary.

He denied the report that the messenger was arrested before the letter could be delivered.—United Press.

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## Cunarder Turns Back.

New York, February 18. The 35,077-ton liner Mauretania radioed today that she had developed "engine irregularities" near Nassau, in the Bahamas.

She is turning back to New York with 735 passengers aboard, who were taking an eight-day cruise, the message said.

The liner left Nassau early today for Havana. She was on the third day of the cruise.

The Cunard-White Star Line said it has no further information at the moment.—Reuter.

## Israeli Minister's Visit To Britain

London, February 18. Israeli quarters in London were informed today that the Israeli Finance Minister, Dr. Eliazar Kaplan, will probably pay a brief visit to London in about 10 days on his way home from the United States.

His visit, which is not regarded as certain, is expected to be mainly for personal reasons—he has a daughter in England—and to meet Israeli personalities here but not for negotiations with British officials.

Before leaving Tel Aviv for the United States, Dr. Kaplan set up a committee to prepare fully for the financial negotiations that must eventually be held with the British Government.

This committee is expected to visit London next month. It is not taken for granted that Dr. Kaplan would head it and it is not connected with his possible flying visit next week.

Glowing press reports on Anglo-Israeli economic relations are regarded as premature though quite likely to prove right eventually. A London evening newspaper today carried a three-column headline: "Britain May Unfreeze £90 Million."

The Attorney-General added: "In one case, involving a minor official of the Board of Trade, inquiries are now completed and I have given consent to a prosecution for offences under the Prevention of Corruption Act."

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2. Moves are already being made to speed up trade.

3. The British Treasury is considering several outstanding financial problems, including the unfreezing of Palestine's £90 million balance in London.

It also said that Israel's entry into the sterling area is being discussed and that Dr. Kaplan may visit London shortly to raise this very point.

This press report, together with the prominence which such papers as the Financial Times and the Investor's Chronicle gave this week to Israeli economic affairs, would itself be some evidence of reviving friendship and business interest.

## In Few Weeks

But on all its specific points it is regarded as premature. If, as is believed, the committee in Tel Aviv is well ahead with preparing its dossier, it would appear to be far in advance of the British officials, whether at the Treasury, the Board of Trade or the Bank of England.

Except for the steps taken by the Treasury to set up a section for Israel affairs, there has been no evidence so far that any British officials have so much as bent their minds towards discussing what subjects to discuss with Israel and still less what attitude to take on any such subjects.

But this is ascribed mainly to preoccupation with the various other countries with which British officials are at present having complicated negotiations.

It is thought that they can clear their minds about Israel quite rapidly when the need arises, and that there may well be developments within the next few weeks.—Reuter.

## LYNSKEY TRIBUNAL SEQUEL

London, February 18. Sir Hartley Shawcross, Attorney-General, has ordered a prosecution against a minor official of the Board of Trade, following the Linsky "Corruption" Tribunal.

In reply to a question in the House of Commons today, he referred to three cases which the Tribunal's report said are matters for police action rather than investigation by the Tribunal.

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## Adoption Law May Be Changed

London, February 18. British people will probably be allowed in future to adopt foreign children living in Britain as the result of a private Member's bill which received a Government welcome in the House of Commons today. At present such adoption is forbidden.

A Labour Member, Mrs. Jean Nichol, told of a little boy who came to a British home for adoption just before Christmas. It was found that he could not be adopted because he was an alien.

"It was later discovered that his birthplace was Bethlehem," she said.

A change in the law to make adoption possible is one of the aims of the bill introduced by a Conservative, Mr. Basil Nield, under a recently-restored right by which private Members may initiate legislation.

The bill was given an unopposed second reading (agreement in principle). It will later be discussed in detail.

Another Government bill which got a Government welcome at sources.—Reuter.

come and an unopposed second reading seeks to double the maximum payments payable by a husband to his wife on separation.

A Labour Member, Mr. Walter Manslow, who introduced the bill, said that the present payments of £2 for a wife and 10 shillings for a child were fixed in 1895.

Mr. Kenneth Younger said an increase is justified on the change in money value alone, but in welcoming the bill the Government would not commit itself to any precise figure.

Mr. Marcus Lipton, Labour, thought there is something to be said for the Canadian practice of deducting maintenance payments being deducted from the husband's wages

at sources.—Reuter.

## PALACE DENIAL

London, February 18. Buckingham Palace today denied French press reports that Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh will visit Deauville, a French holiday resort on the Channel Coast in June.

The French report, attributed to a private British source in Paris, said the Royal couple would visit Deauville after their tour of the Channel Islands.—Reuter.

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## Three Nations Half-Way To The No-Frontier Ideal

The Hague, Wednesday. The first systematic attempt to rub out Europe's frontiers and trade barriers is about to take a new step forward. The economic Ministers and experts of Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg are meeting here to sponsor the next stage of the Benelux economic union.

And their talks will show what chances there are of attaining the ultimate goal—the practical abolition of frontiers between the three countries by January 1950.

Two stages out of five have already been achieved. The three countries have introduced common tariffs for all foreign goods, and the *Benelux* now has all tariffs on each other's goods. But this in no way means that

By Alexander Clifford

you can take what you like from Holland to Belgium.

The white-gloved Customs officials are just as inquisitive about your luggage there as at any other frontier. You fill in just as many forms. You answer just as many questions about your intentions and your currency holdings.

Three important stages remain before the frontiers virtually disappear and get back to what they were 100 years ago—when you could take as much money as you liked across and usually didn't need a passport.

The first is the unification of Excise duties—internal duties imposed for taxation purposes. The second is the abolition of all import licences and quotas. The third is the abolition of all currency restrictions.

### Two Stages

The Beneluxions hope to decide on the unification of Excises almost straight away. The most optimistic still hope that the final two stages will be reached by the beginning of 1950. But there are many who are less optimistic.

For the doubts and difficulties are severe. Here are probably the best conditions in Europe for such a Customs union. The psychological atmosphere is good: there is as little distrust and dislike as possible; the mutual advantages are enormous.

But it isn't proving easy. The biggest surface difficulty is the discrepancy in financial status between Holland and Belgium. For Belgium is riding a wave of prosperity. Holland is definitely in straitened circumstances of trade in Europe.

## Attempted Suicide By Bogus Judge

Berlin, February 18. Josef Franke, a bogus judge in prison for passing 7,000 sentences without legal qualifications and acquitting gaol-bird friends, is recovering from an overdose of veronal taken in his cell.

Berlin police said he dosed himself on Wednesday after further charges, including embezzlement and bigness, had been instituted against him. At his earlier trial, Franke, a former gaol-bird with 14 convictions, was stated to have been on two county circuits and to have spent 15 months as a Lower Court judge in Berlin on the strength of forged legal documents.

He has passed no legal examinations whatever. During this time he passed 7,000 sentences and was found to have let off a former fellow convict at the price of 15,000 Reichsmarks (about £1,125).—Reuters.



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## DON'T EXPECT TOO MUCH -- TITO IS NO DEMOCRAT

Belgium tends to blame Holland. She can hardly understand why the Dutch have lagged so far behind. It must be the system, think the Belgians.

The Dutch have swallowed too much in austerity, rationing, and controls. The shortage of goods, the argument goes on, has resulted in a surplus of money, so that Holland has been tempted into vast reconstruction schemes beyond her means.

### Dutch Credits

In fact, say the Belgians, getting a little indignant, Holland has been reconstructing herself at someone's expense. Holland's money pay for her imports. Holland has just about the worst

Belgium expense. For Belgium instead of reconstructing herself has given credits to the Dutch which the Dutch have used for reconstruction.

All in all, the most extreme Belgians add, the Benelux Union cannot become a fact with Holland in its present state. Dutch economy must be decentralised. Prices must rise to their natural level. The Budget must be balanced. Exports must pay for imports.

Only then, they feel, can Belgium go into the union without having all the advantages on the other side, and it is hardly likely that all this will come to pass before January 1950.

The Dutch have a new set of arguments to put against the Belgians. They can't deny they are temporarily poorer. They were more devastated than Belgium.

They were liberated a year later. Their rich Empire is at the moment a liability.

### Solid Recovery

They began with few of Belgium's advantages. But they feel their sensible systematic, almost clinical recovery has been more solid than Belgium's—even though slower.

Moreover Holland has now tried some of the things which Belgium urges, with surprising results. De-nationalising, for instance.

Today you can buy all the sweets, boots and eggs you want in Holland, and instead of the public making a rush for them, total consumption has fallen off. The free price of eggs has dropped below the ration price. It seems that people were buying things simply because they were entitled to them not because they wanted them.

Holland, in fact, is finding it easier to drop controls than she thought. Her temporarily nationalised coal mines have been returned to private ownership.

Already rationing is considerably less strict than in Britain. By the end of the year the Dutch hope, it may just be possible to achieve the Belgian ideal—which is no rationing at all.

The next stage, at any rate—unification of Excise duties—should not be insurmountable. It means a slight modification of taxation policies (the disciplined Dutch like direct taxation, the ingenuous, individualistic Belgians react better to indirect).

### Forward Look

But the Benelux countries have put their hands to the plough and will not look back. Already they are nearly half-way through the plan.

There is plenty of good will and determination. Perhaps they won't succeed quite by January 1, 1950.

But, for their own sakes and for the sakes of the world, they intend to succeed.

Marshal Tito's eight-month-old quarrel with the Cominform appears to be getting worse, and what started as a crack in the Soviet bloc of nations now looks remarkably like a definite split.

From the very beginning, the Cominform have denounced Tito and his associates in terms as violent as they usually reserve for the "imperialist powers" of the West. But Tito's Government has been careful to keep very close to the Soviet line in international affairs while resisting any attempts by orthodox Stalinists to take over the key posts in Yugoslavia.

These developments have encouraged some observers in the West to think that Yugoslavia may be induced to continue its political evolution towards a regime more acceptable to Western democratic ideas.

Certainly any diplomatic or economic initiatives which may lessen the menacing tension throughout the world would be assured of sympathetic interest in Britain, France and America.

But is there any real ground for hoping that 1949 will see any far-reaching changes in our relationship with Tito's Yugoslavia? Accidental and temporary situations may induce over-optimistic hopes which will lead to disappointments even more bitter than those we have experienced since 1945.

During the war the people of Britain and America were encouraged to hope that the alliance of common suffering and victory with Russia would dissipate the "enormous" Soviet dictatorship and might guarantee a century of peace in the world.

No Foundation for Peace

But we discovered that there is not—and can never be—any solid foundation for alliance in peace or war unless the nations are agreed on certain fundamentals of political philosophy.

Britain and America agreed on the Four Freedoms for which they were willing to sacrifice their accumulated wealth and risk national annihilation rather than surrender or make a compromise peace.

More recently, in December, 1948, the Western Powers were substantially agreed in framing a similar charter of fundamental liberties in the United Nations Organisation—the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Some of the articles of the Declaration say that no citizen of a free country should be subject to arbitrary interference with his personal freedom, home or correspondence; that no one shall be arbitrarily deprived of his property; that no citizen shall be compelled to belong to an association or Party; that everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression.

These principles of liberty and tolerance are so fundamental to the history of political thought in this country that, by 1938, we had forgotten that they were originally won and preserved through centuries of struggle and that, as soon as they are denied anywhere, no international understanding is possible.

Abraham Lincoln discovered that truth for his people when he said that he was certain that America could not exist half-slave and half-free.

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Reporting the Ribbentrop-Molotov Pact.

It moved a stage further when it imprisoned Archbishop Stepinac two years ago because he represented a tradition which did not admit the dictatorship of Communism—the Roman Catholic Church. It has persecuted the leaders of the Orthodox Church who remained in touch with their American co-religionists.

Hungary is still developing in complete submission to the dictates of the Cominform and Hungary has just imprisoned Cardinal Mindszenty.

That parallel between the regimes of Hungary and Yugoslavia reveals significantly that Tito's Communism is as ruthlessly orthodox as any other. At a time when the Western world is protesting against the imprisonment

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## AUSTRIAN TREATY TALKS NEAR THE TURNING POINT

London, February 18. The four-power delegates for the Austrian treaty today decided to hear a new statement from Yugoslavia as soon as they have completed their preliminary review of the treaty. It is expected that the Yugoslav statement will be made on Thursday next week.

The delegates took their decision after receiving a letter from Dr. Alex Bebler, Yugoslav Deputy Foreign Minister, making a definite request for a further hearing.

They decided that an Austrian delegation will be present during the Yugoslav statement and that it will be open to Austria also to submit a further statement of attitude.

This will presumably be made by Dr. Karl Gruber, Austrian Foreign Minister, who flew back to Austria earlier this week but is expected to return shortly.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent writes:

Observers here expect the Yugoslav statement may prove a turning point in the Austrian treaty discussions.

## Moscow's Attack On Turkey

Moscow, February 18. The Soviet newspaper "Izvestia" today criticised statements made in London and Paris by the Turkish Foreign Minister, Mr. Necmeddin Sadak, advocating the extension of the proposed North Atlantic Pact to the Mediterranean.

"There is no doubt that the projected Mediterranean Pact will be of a military and aggressive nature," the newspaper said.

From M. Sadak's talks with the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, it followed that Turkey lays claim to a leading role in the Mediterranean bloc, which together with the North Atlantic Pact is to form an unbroken chain in the Atlantic, Ocean and the Mediterranean, it said.

"Turkish ruling circles declare that the North Atlantic Pact includes a considerable portion of the globe and that the remaining part of it should be covered by other pacts, including a Mediterranean one, in such a way that all these pacts may be united under the aegis of the United States," "Izvestia" added.—Reuter.

It gives their names as Recruit George A. Jones and Recruit Clarence R. Hill.

The Czechs, the statement added, have responded to requests

that the men, posted as deserters, be returned to the United States Zone military authorities.

The Czechs have also left unanswered requests for informa-



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## SHOOTING INCIDENTS ON BERLIN SECTOR BOUNDARY

Berlin, February 18.

One Berliner was killed and two wounded in four incidents on the boundary between the Soviet sector of the city and the Western sectors in the past 24 hours.

All the incidents resulted from drivers' attempt to avoid stopping at police check points on the sector boundary, or to evade arrest after they had been stopped.

The man killed was shot dead by a Soviet sector policeman when he attempted to drive into the American sector instead of accompanying the officer to the police station.

The two persons wounded, a 10-year-old girl and a middle-aged man, were hit by stray shots when Soviet sector police fired at a vegetable wagon which ran the blockade without stopping.

In a third incident, Soviet sector police opened fire on a blockade-runner without causing any damage.

In the fourth incident, a Soviet sector policeman who was forcibly conveyed across the sector boundary in a truck which he was inspecting was beaten up on the French side of the boundary line.

"Murder"

The Russian-controlled police force also engaged in sporadic fist fights with passengers on underground and overhead trains.

The American-licensed newspaper "Tagespiegel" denounced the shooting of the motor-car driver as "murder."

All the incidents grew out of the blockade within a blockade which the Russians now are imposing on the Western sectors of the city. The Soviet move is being bolstered by roadblocks built of paving stones and iron stanchions.

Charles C. Bond, American Public Safety official, said the killing of the motorist comes close to being murder.

He added: "It was at least irresponsible police work. The motorist unquestionably was drunk, but the shooting was unwarranted. It was a direct result of the Russian blockade; for, without the blockade, we should have the free intercourse between all occupation sectors as provided by our power agreement."

Shot In Back

The motorist was shot twice in the back and his car was wrecked when he tried to escape from the Soviet-controlled police.

## Two Months And Still No Jury

New York, February 18. The trial of 11 leading American Communists—on charges of conspiracy to advocate the overthrow of the United States Government has entered its second month with not a single juror yet chosen to hear the Government's case.

Nearly all the 22 days of the trial, so far, have been occupied by a defense attack on the system for choosing Federal jurors in New York.

The defense claims that the Grand Jury, which returned the indictment, was not chosen in an equitable manner.—Reuter.



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## RAF TAKE MILLIONTH TON INTO BERLIN

Berlin, February 18. A Royal Air Force York aircraft today delivered the millionth ton carried in the Anglo-American airlift supplying Western Berlin's 2,500,000 inhabitants.

Rising in all weathers, British and American planes, carrying food and vital supplies to beat the Soviet blockade of the Western sectors, have covered almost 70 million miles.

In over 180,000 flights, 14 planes have crashed, at cost of 28 American and 10 British lives. About 57,000 people are engaged on the airlift from pilots to lorry drivers.

Up to today, an estimated 13,500 children and invalids had been evacuated from Berlin.

The highest 24-hour total was achieved on September 18, when British and American planes carried nearly 7,000 tons.

The British-American airlift began on June 20, last, three days after the Russians began the blockade by closing the Berlin railway at the Anglo-Soviet zone border.—Reuter.

## Still Chance To Save China?

New York, February 19. The former chief of the State Department's Division for Far Eastern Affairs today warned that most of Asia will be endangered if the Communists control of China.

The Chinese of our being involved in a shooting war will be increased," he added.

Stanley Hornbeck told the Foreign Policy Association that the United States must combat Communism simultaneously as strongly in Asia as in Europe and China is the best place to begin.

Hornbeck contended that if the Communists control China, the natural sequel will be success for Communism in areas to the South, to the West and East of China.

There is still a chance for at least prolonged resistance. We should give support to this resistance—moral and material support."—United Press.

COURT MARTIAL SENTENCE CONFIRMED

London, February 18. The sentence of 15 months' detention passed on Richard Arthur Elliott, "The Man in the Tower," at a Colchester court martial has now been confirmed by the War Office.

Elliott, 26-year-old Etonian, was found guilty of deserting from the Royal Army Service Corps from October, 1940, until apprehended at Antwerp last October. Elliott was detained in the Tower of London awaiting trial until December 22, when he was released on a writ of habeas corpus.—Reuter.

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# MAGAZINE SECTION

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## THE AIR LIFT ISSUES ITS OWN WHITE PAPER

By Guy Ramsey

When eight months ago—on June 18, 1948—the Western Powers introduced their new currency in Germany and Soviet Russia retaliated by imposing, with war-time rigour, their blockade of Berlin, they did more than create difficulties of administration and turn Berlin, already ruined by the last stand of the Nazis, into the ground for a cold, instead of a hot, war.

### Changed Living

They not only imposed upon Britain and America—and, to a certain extent, upon France as well—the need for the air-lift.

But they also altered living conditions—social, industrial, feeding—as well as political to a degree we, in Britain, simply cannot imagine.

To bring home to the outside world just what this blockade means to the Germans of Berlin, Military Government has just issued an 85-page report from whose graphs, statistics, tables, a vivid picture is discernible.

Before the war Berlin was a modern city of 4,300,000 inhabitants; today it is a battered relic with 1,100,000 people fewer. The Soviet zone accounts for 1,000,000 of those left; the Western zones for 2,200,000.

Now, there come to Berlin between 3,000 and 5,000 tons of material every day; before the blockade, the figure was 12,000 tons. The blockade has transformed the city's life; fuel cuts reduce industry and transport; transport cuts prevent economic hours being worked.

The blockade reduced the average German's feeding by 500 calories a day—now, owing to extra winter

rationing carried in by the air-lift, feeding is only 250 calories down on the pre-blockade figure.

The food distribution in Berlin cannot be organised on a city-wide basis: the Russians started a mere zonal arrangement, and the Western Powers, in self-defence, followed their example.

Western zone Berliners must make do with dried fruits or noodles instead of ordinary noodles; with dehydrated potatoes instead of fresh; with headless and tail-less fish or dried egg instead of whole fish; with dried milk (with full cream for all who received fresh milk pre-blockade) instead of fresh; with dehydrated vegetables instead of fresh.

But Soviet zone Berliners get no vitamin tablets; get no cheese; get ersatz (synthetic) coffee instead of pure coffee or tea the West provides.

As for meat, the West issues 33 1/3 grams of canned meat against 100 grams of meat coupons. The Russians increased their ration-scale in July, and we, again in self-defence, increased our air-lift to increase our ration-scale in November.

But the meat retailer in the West has

sold virtually no fresh meat over his counter in the last four months of 1948.

Nevertheless, only 80,000 Berliners have opted to go into the Soviet zone to register for food: 11,000 of them resident on the border; 15,000 of them working in the Eastern area.

### Citizens Steady

Only 54,000 have been "persuaded" by a mixture of propaganda, bribery with foodstuffs and politics, to forsake West for East.

The blockade has curtailed electricity to one-third of the normal supply—which hits industrialists and private households alike. Gas—used for 80 per cent of private cooking in pre-blockade days—was cut by 50 per cent and is now back to 75 per cent of the pre-blockade figure—due to Heaven alone knows what ingenuity of the industry and the coal administration. The bare figures are: Pre-blockade, 757,000 cubic metres a day; post-blockade, 546,000 cubic metres.

Sewage difficulties have restricted bathing in the rivers.

Another consequence of blockade is unemployment, especially with regard to young people. The imposition of the blockade threw 35,088 people out of work and 45,270 back to part-time employment.

### Workless Grow

In November the unemployed went down to 33,251, but went up in mid-December to 40,572, and short-time workers to 87,000.

Street lighting has been reduced by 87 per cent from last year.

Great stress is laid upon the fact that the blockade, however effective materially, is still greater as a moral and psychological factor.

By and large, however, it seems—at least as yet—to have failed of its avowed purpose: to turn Berlin into a 100 per cent Russian city.

Once upon a time, in the days when going by air was a desperate adventure, a woman with a nice understanding of the muscled superiority complex suggested to civilian airline pioneers: "Let's have women working in an airplane will make men feel quite safe—or pretend they do."

Since the time—30 years ago—when women were used as airline "hail" they have fought and won the battle for air equality.

B.O.A.C. alone report that 40 per cent of their air travellers are women—that is about 48,000 a year. In America the percentage—and the figure—is even higher.

## TRAVEL TALK

Problem of the day facing a million natives in Togoland, French West Africa, is whether or not they should have a German "king" to rule them.

Writing from Tangier, G. D. K. McCormick explains that their worry is quite an understandable one. The "king" in question is a 28-year old Negro German lorry-driver. The story of his claim to the throne goes back to the days when his grandfather was "king" of Togoland—and Togoland was

part of German West Africa.

During the war the "heir" to the throne fought in the German Army and in Togoland his grandmother ruled in his stead. Now, however, the "queen" has sent a letter to her grandson, explaining that she is too old to rule any longer and asking him to return and take over the throne.

Whether the young "king" will or not now depends on the natives and officials of Togoland. Some believe that the returning "king" should be outlawed as a renegade to his tribe and the French flag. Others, that he is still a "king" by right and should be received back to the throne.

Only person sure about the future is the "king" himself, still in Germany. Already he has applied to this local labour exchange for permission to give up his job as a lorry-driver—and return to Togoland as "king."

How many meals does a fish make? To most people the answer would appear to be "it depends on the size of the fish." To leading British, Scandinavian and Bonelux fish exporters, however, the answer is that the size scarcely matters at all.

It depends, they say, far more on the way the fish is prepared, cooked and served—no matter whether it be three pounds of cod or a delicate portion of fresh rock salmon.

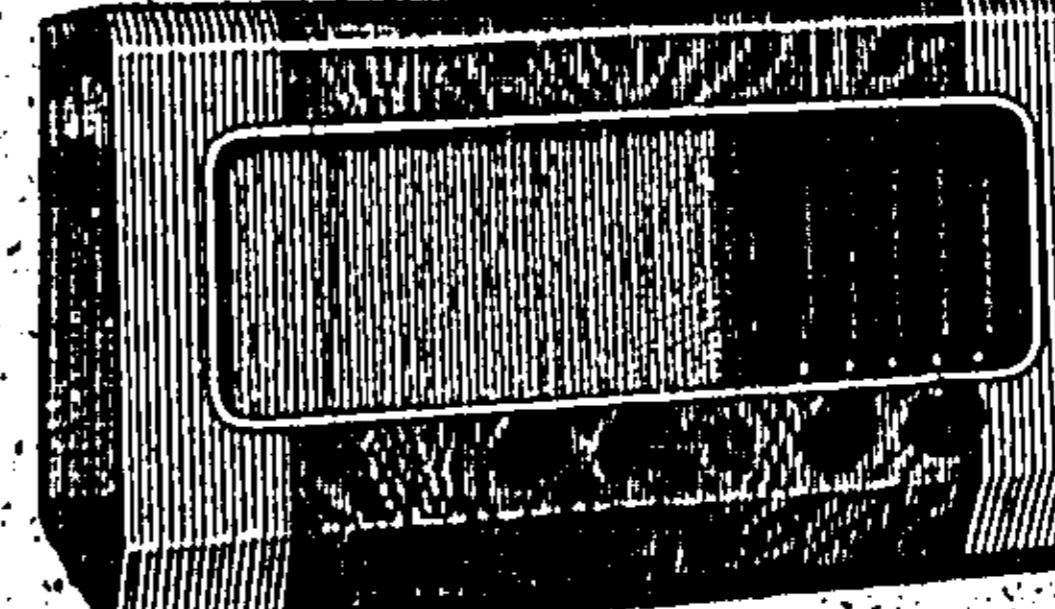
Discussing the matter still further at a fish traders' conference in Amsterdam, the experts have pointed out that a housewife thinking she has fish enough for three people, has most probably fish enough for five or six—if she only serves it in the right way.

To give over 10,000,000 housewives in Central European countries the chance to do just this, the exporters are planning large-scale fish-selling campaigns in Central Europe with headquarters at Vienna during the industrial fair there in March.

Describing the project to our correspondent, the secretary of the West European Exporters' Group explained:

"Central European housewives have no idea how to prepare and serve fish. They are accustomed to eating salt fish and dried fish with no attempt to make it look attractive or go further. We aim to import frozen fish and give them a chance to see it being cooked—in the right way."

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## Talking about Filmgoers.

### Mr. Polly Misses The Pathos

BY FRED MAJDALANY

Frustration has developed into such a fine art that the case of Mr. Polly seems almost like kids' stuff to the seasoned introvert of today.

This H. G. Wells character, you will remember, was a timid draper's assistant who dreamed of a better life.

By way of escape he surreptitiously read books when he should have been serving customers, for he lived in the days before discussion groups, *Rita Hayworth*, and "Twenty Questions" had been invented.

He was duly sacked, but a small legacy enabled him to acquire the new burden of a shop of his own, and the even greater burden of a terrible wife.

After many years of this he ran away—first setting fire to the shop while his wife was at church—and found the cutest little country pub run by the cutest big country woman.

The catch hero is that a formidable Burglar Bill type called Uncle Jim considers that the pub and the lady belong to him. But after a number of uneven physical encounters Mr. Polly wins, and proves that the meek can occasionally inherit the earth if an author knows his stuff.

Anthony Pelissier (who adapted the novel and directed *The History of Mr. Poll*—Leicester Square Theatre) seems to have decided that the only way to sell this fairy tale was to go all out for comedy, and the comedy is good and plentiful, though some of it is inclined to be stagy.

There is a burlesque of a funeral feast (Gladys Henson and Edward Chapman prominent), which could be lifted whole and put in a revue. There is a delicious piece of fooling in a punt (Miles Malleson magnificently prominent). And the chases of the terrorized Polly by Uncle Jim (Flinny Currie showing that Magwitch can be a Wellian as well as a Dickensian monster) have a Walt Disneyish gusto.

But the pathos of Mr. Polly seems to have got lost. John Mills acts like the very devil, but he is never moving as Charlie Chaplin or Danny Kaye would

be in the part, which requires a touch of Buttons and a dash of Cyrano de Bergerac. The episode with the schoolgirl, for instance, is flat and cold.

I seldom felt sorry for this Mr. Polly. Mr. Mills fails to suppress his natural personality, which is that of the game patrol-leader who will "win through" in the end. Just you see if he doesn't!

Apart from the supporting characters already named, by far the best acting comes from Megs Jenkins (the plump woman at the pub) and Betty Ann Davies (the shrewish Mrs. Polly). Miss Davies is an actress of real dramatic power who could rapidly become a star if given the right part. A likeable film—but oddly (in view of its subject) lacking in warmth and humanity.

By contrast, these qualities are conspicuously present in *Le Visiteur* (Studio One), another of those films about small boys which the French do so well.

It concerns an orphanage which largely exists on the benefactions of one of its old boys who has become a famous lawyer.

One day he turns up at the school where he is revered as a legend. His success with the boys is immediate—but it gradually transpires that he is a murderer on the run—his benefactions have been the conscience-money of a crook.

The police catch up with him, but before he is taken away they agree to a little sympathetic play-acting that will make it seem to the boys that their hero is being released—and the legend can remain intact.

It is most beautifully acted by Pierre Fresnay, by Balpeire, Vitold, and Beauchamp (whose lack of Christian names denotes that they are stalwarts of the Comedie francaise) and by a host of small boys.

*Don't Trust Your Husband* (London Pavilion) is a very unimportant comedy in which Medelaine Carroll mistrusts Fred MacMurray.

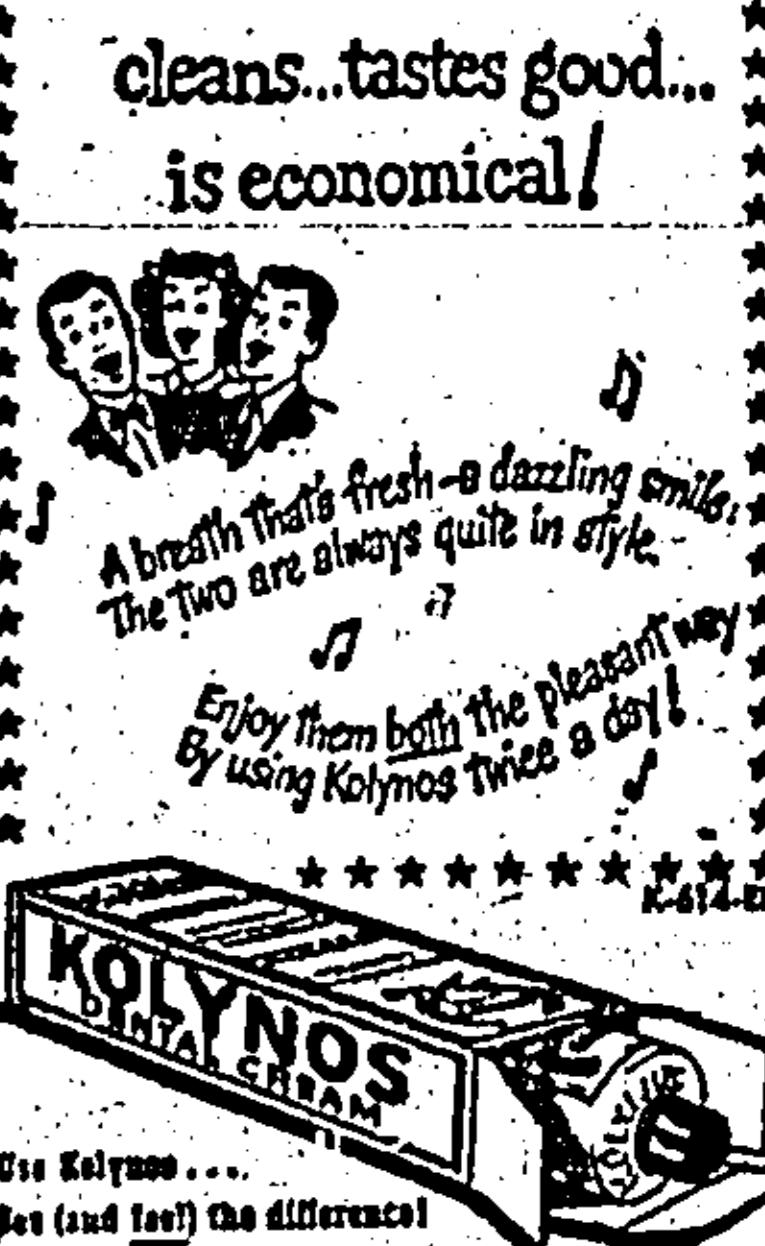
She tries to make him jealous by getting an agency to supply an actor to flirt with her in a restaurant, but the tables, as you might guess, get mixed and the wrong man becomes involved.

It is not less funny than, say, Robert-Son Hare losing his trousers, if you find that funny.

A big act of faith is necessary if you are to relate "My Own True Love" to the realities of English middle-class life.

It presents Phyllis Calvert as a lady who has worked with the French underground, has been imprisoned by the Gestapo, and has ended up doing fatigues in the ATS where a middle-aged widower (Melvyn Dou) finds her scrubbing floors.

After her demob, he installs her in his flat prior to marrying her, but their



plan is complicated by the return from Burma of his son, who also wants to marry her.

Miss Calvert settles for father, and sooths her future stepson with some womanly wisdom that fixes his frustration all right, but not the spectator's.

In "The Sainted Sisters" Barry Fitzgerald makes an honest woman of Veronique Lake and of Joan Caulfield, a pair of slightly blackmailers, by persuading them to give away their winnings and to marry two perfectly terrible yokels instead.

I wish I could share this idealistic view of the mutability of the female sense of values—not to mention the film's sense of comedy.

## Our Serial Story

AND THE DEEP  
BLUE SEA

By Raymond Knotts

He asked the chief to get the police doctor on the phone.

"It's about Val Kellayne, doctor. You said he was struck a paralysing blow. But tell me this. What is the longest time he could possibly have lived after he was hit?"

"Oh, it would depend on a lot of things. Including the vitality of the individual. He might possibly live as long as two hours."

Hale dropped the phone and dashed to his car. He roared down the Keys toward the Coral Strand Club. He stopped a few hundred yards beyond it. He looked in the glove box for his pistol and got a shock. The pistol was gone. He had put it in there yesterday. His flashlight, fortunately, had not been taken. He slipped it into his pocket.

Hale moved softly forward. At the door he listened. Then, drawing from his pocket the key he had taken from the manager's office on the night when Judie disappeared, he let himself in. Silently he closed the door behind him and the automatic bolt slid home. He slipped off his shoes and crept along to the chorus dressing room next to the one Velma Martine had used.

Quickly he swept the torch around the room, keeping it pointed toward the door.

The entire inside wall was occupied, except for the door through which he had just come in, by a wide shelf with a continuous mirror over it.

Starting somberly at the section of bare floor illuminated by his torch, he observed that it, like the dressing-table ledge, had suffered from the carefree way of dancing girls with their cigarettes. It was stippled with black dots and dashes where cigarette butts had been trampled out or left to burn themselves away. He stared at them as if by concentration he might make them have meaning. And suddenly, with a crinkling sensation in his scalp, he did see meaning in them.

The stool where he sat was at the far end of the room from the star's dressing room. The beam of his flashlight lay along the juncture of this end wall with the floor, and it revealed that some of the black marks left by burning cigarettes began outside the wall but continued under its edge. And there were no corresponding scorched places on the bottom edge of the wall. It could only mean that the wall had been moved since the cigarette burns were made.

The wall would not, he saw, have been difficult to move. Except for a light wood baseboard and wooden strips for the clothes hooks, it was made of fiber wall board.

Laying the torch on the dressing-table bench with its light aimed at the wall, he took a firm grip on two of the clothes hooks and pulled sharply. The wall began to open slowly out into the room like a wide door. As soon as the opening was wide enough, he snatched up the torch and thrust it through the aperture. The light flattened itself into a bright disk on another wall, only a few feet away. That would be the true end wall of the room, and this one he had just moved was false, having been set up to create a narrow secret chamber.

Tilting the flashlight downward, he saw what he had dreaded and expected to see: the tumbled dark hair and waxen white face of Judie Polk.

Wrapped in blankets, the girl lay on an improvised bed of cushions on the floor, stretched at full length, utterly

lax. Drawing aside the blanket, Hale grasped her wrist. There was a faint beat.

He swept her up and carried her quickly along the dark corridor to the star's dressing room next door. There he found the daybed and put Judie gently down on it. Then, impelled by an urgent sense of impending danger, he crept swiftly back to the chorus room and made a quick survey. The narrow prison contained nothing but the cushions on which Judie had lain and one small gleaming thing that Hale picked up in his handkerchief. It was a hypodermic needle. He slipped it in his pocket. Then he reached for the pillow on which Judie's feet had rested, slotted it up and laid it on top of the one where her head had been. Pushing the wall back into place, he snapped off the flashlight and crept back through the corridor to Judie's side in the pitch-dark adjoining room. He sank down on the edge of the daybed, put his cheek close to her face and felt her breath, light but steady.

Suddenly he heard a creeping footfall in the corridor outside the door. In the deep silence Hale heard the door of the chorus room swing softly open and the creeping feet, after a cautious pause at the threshold, take their way across the floor. He heard a soft scraping sound—the wall of Judie's prison was being pulled away.

And then, sharp and shocking, the sound of two shots.

Feet, soft shod or stocking, raced out of the room and away.

Hale, releasing his pent breath, dwelt with astonishment on the fact that he had seen the flashes of the two shots. There must be a crack in the wall between this room and the chorus room. He turned on his flashlight and looked.

There was, Velma Martine had told the truth, but only a part of the truth. Not only had she heard Judie scream in the room next door, she had also looked on while the secret wall opened up and closed again, with Judie Polk behind it. That was the thing Velma Martine had known. For knowing that she had died.

Hale went into the chorus room again, making no attempt at quiet now. He pulled open the secret wall once more and flashed his light within. A pistol's powder blasts had charred two round holes in the pillow where Judie's head had rested so short a while ago.

Hale was feeling the special elation of a newspaper man who has just put over a world beat on a whale of a story. He had announced his discovery of the kidnapping victim exclusively in his newspaper. It had taken some managing to do it. Since it was only 11 p.m. when the creeping visitor fled from the Coral Strand Club thinking he had murdered Judie, Hale faced the problem of keeping his discovery to himself for seven hours, since his was an afternoon paper.

He had called Judie's friend Ellinore from the lounge, with Judie lying inert on a davenport beside him.

"Get your family doctor," he instructed Ellinore. "Have him at your house when I get there. Don't say anything to another soul."

Before she could ask where he was hung up, then he found his shoes and gathered Judie up again. He carried her out to his car and raced to the doctor waiting at Ellinore's home.

There were no reporters on watch there. They would be at Polk's now that the ransom had been paid and they were released from their pledge to stay away.

In his story, Judie's rescue was dramatically set forth, but not quite completely. There was no mention of the creeping assassin who had tried to kill Judie in the secret chamber at the Coral Strand Club. Hale had kept that strictly to himself.

"A great pal you turned out to be," growled the chief, mopping his pink brow with a handkerchief. "I thought we were working together on this case."

"Look," Hale pointed out. "The case isn't solved yet. You can still find Detridge and Quillimire. And that Wellier-Quillimire story will knock the world dead."

The chief brightened. "Sa-ay, it will at that. And listen," he dropped his voice confidentially, "that Quillimire is Wellier sure as hell. The fingerprints show it."

Hale went upstairs to see Judie, who was home in her own bed now.

She kissed Hale and wept. "I can't ever thank you, Jim."

"Tell me everything you remember," Hale directed.

"Well—it isn't much, I'm afraid.

After Favich drove Orring away, I went back into the club. But when I got to the foot of the stairs I didn't feel well and I thought, 'I'd better get some air.' So I went on through the downstairs hall and out into the palm grove.

"I stood there a minute letting the wind blow in my face. I had a feeling all at once that there was somebody behind me. I couldn't move. I simply froze. And then I got control of myself enough to look around, but the minute I turned my head somebody grabbed me. I screamed and he clapped his hand over my mouth and nose and held so tight I thought I'd suffocate. And then somebody put a cloth over my face with a sweet sickening smell to it." She shrugged. "That's all."

"Don't you remember talking to your father on the telephone?"

"Only vaguely. I thought maybe I just dreamed it. All I remember is, I seemed to be in a deep sleep and somebody dragged me up. They held something under my nose, and I roused up a little, and then somebody said, 'It's your father. Tell him to do what we say, if you want to get out of this alive. Talk to your father!' And they put a telephone in front of my face, and I guess I screamed something into it. And then I passed out again."

"Was it on a boat?"

"I don't know." She rubbed her hand across her forehead in a troubled gesture. "It did seem that I was rocking and got away with it!"

"And commit three murders too," amended Hale.

"What? Oh, the murders. You don't really think those killings had anything to do with the kidnapping, do you?"

"I feel sure of it."

Mrs. Cayples, who had joined them, said, "Of course Brock's right. It's absurd to think those murders were connected in any way with the kidnapping. For my part, I'm not going to give them another thought. Judie's back and everything is perfect."

"Not quite," Polk grumbled. "Not by three hundred thousand dollars."

"Really, Brock," reproved Mrs. Cayples. "Anyway, you may get the money back."

Hale left them and went hunting for Bill Buford. There were still three murders to be solved.

## CHAPTER SIX

Hale and Buford sat on the narrow afterdeck of the late Val Kellayne's cruiser, Ellinore, at the dock. They fitted long rubber fins on their feet, slipped snoutlike masks over their faces, and slid off into the clear water of Biscayne Bay. Skin diving it was called.

Hale began to swim around just above the bottom, picking up dark objects showing on the white sand 18 feet below.

Buford began to do it too. Each time they rose they carried their trashy loot with them.

The next time they came up, Hale asked, "Feel ready to go after fish now after this practice? Then, let's go over to the Everglades City."



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They put their clothes on and set out in the car. They made one stop in front of a department store in Miami, and Hale carried the handkerchief full of junk from the bay bottom into the store.

Buford shook his head sadly. "You look as sane as anybody," he observed. When they returned late in the afternoon, a little sunburned and pleasantly tired, Hale went into the store again. He was gone 10 minutes, and he came out carrying a big square box.

"Just a little repair work," said Hale. "And say—skipping from heads to feet—I had a pair of galoshes in the car when I got there. But yesterday, they were gone. You haven't seen a pair around, have you?"

Buford craned his neck over the back of the seat. "Here they are."

"What?" Hale stopped the car and looked. The galoshes were arranged primly on the floor in front of the coupe's little back seat. Hale scowled. "They weren't in the car yesterday."

The chief of police put his damp handkerchief back in his pocket and said, addressing the group in Breckenridge Polk's library, "Mr. Hale has some ideas and evidence about these three murders."

"You mean to say you know who did those killings, Jim?" asked Polk.

"Yes I know. All three were killed by Asa, the man whose voice you heard delivering the ransom demand on the telephone."

"But who is Asa?" Polk's voice was full of eager interest.

"I'll tell you what I know," said Hale, "and you can decide from that who Asa is. To begin with, the reason there were murders was that the kidnapping was a failure."

"A failure?" Polk's voice shrilled with incredulity. "They got my 300,000 dollars!"

"Asa didn't. The kidnapping failed because the wind blew. Asa had prepared that hiding place in the Coral Strand Club chorus dressing room in advance. Built the false wall and set it in place, knowing nobody would notice the slight difference in the size of the room, especially since it was seldom used."

"Judie was to be put to sleep with sedatives and hidden in the little secret chamber until Thursday night. By that time the search would have turned away from the club. On Thursday night Asa was coming back for Judie. But the wind stopped him—he was coming by ship."

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## SUNDAY HERALD Pictorial



Mr. Wm. A. Collison (on Mr. Jennings Wong's right), Director of the Hong Kong office of the International Refugee Organisation (Francis Wu Studio)



A cocktail party in honour of Mr. Jennings Wong, Director of the International Refugee Organisation, Far East, was given at the Hong Kong Hotel on the eve of Mr. Wong's departure for Geneva for consultations with the parent body there. Mr. Wong (right) is seen here with Mr. T. W. Kwok, Special Commissioner (Foreign Affairs) for Kwangtung-Kwangsi. (King's Studio)



Mr. Paul H. Pearson, American Consul, and Mrs. Pearson are greeted at the cocktail party by Mr. Collison and Mr. Jennings Wong. (Francis Wu Studio)

Mr. R. E. Jobes, Consul-General for France at Hong Kong, and Mr. W. J. Keates, Editor-in-Chief of the "China Mail" and the "Hong Kong Sunday Herald," were among the many guests at the party. (Francis Wu Studio)

Mr. T. B. Wilson, Manager of the American President Lines' local office, and Mr. Tiburcio C. Baja, Philippine Consul-General, also attended Mr. Jennings Wong's cocktail party. On Mr. Wilson's right is Mr. Y. K. Kun. (Francis Wu Studio)



A final reunion dinner of officers of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, to be dissolved by the end of the month, was held recently at the China Fleet Club. The Governor (centre) was a guest of honour. ("China Mail" photo)

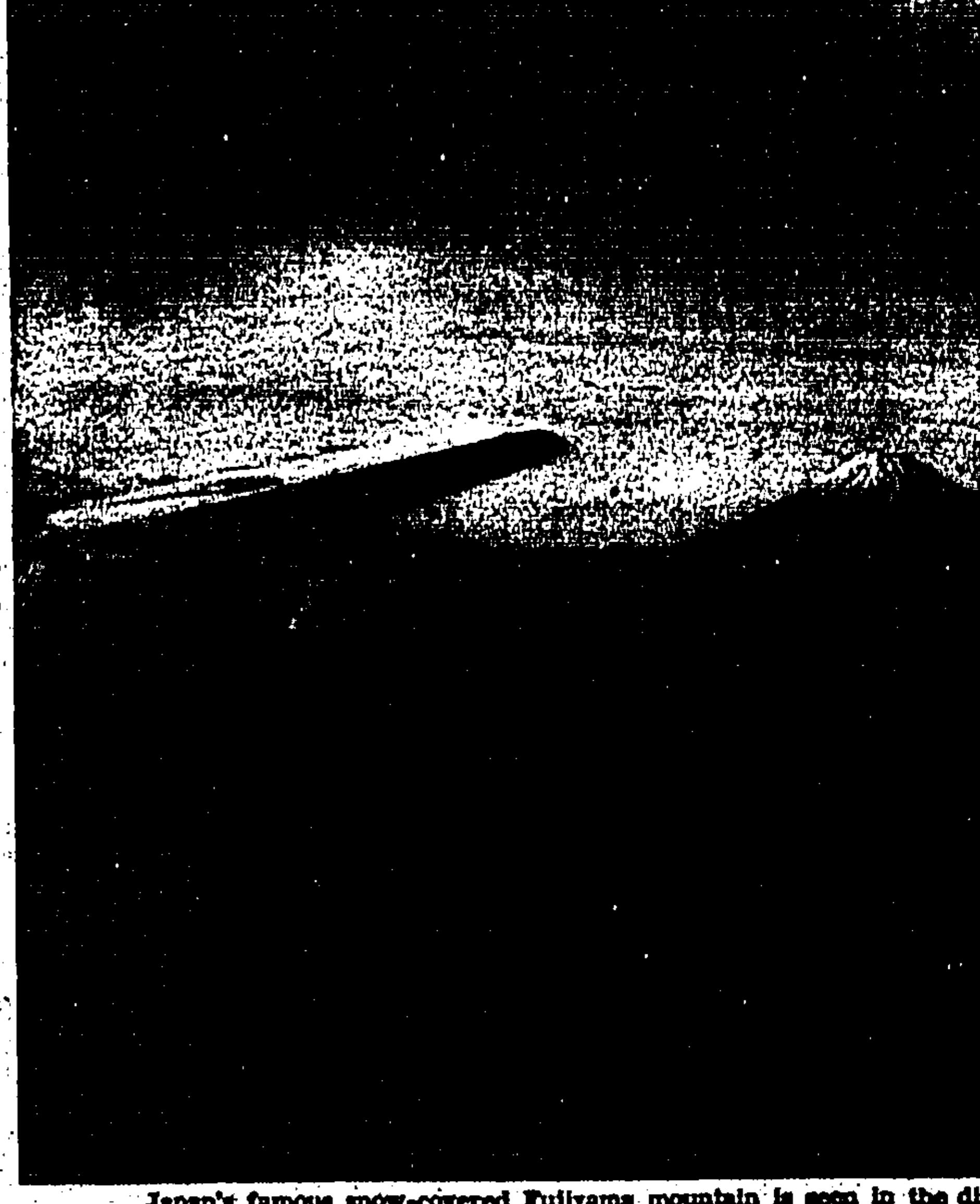
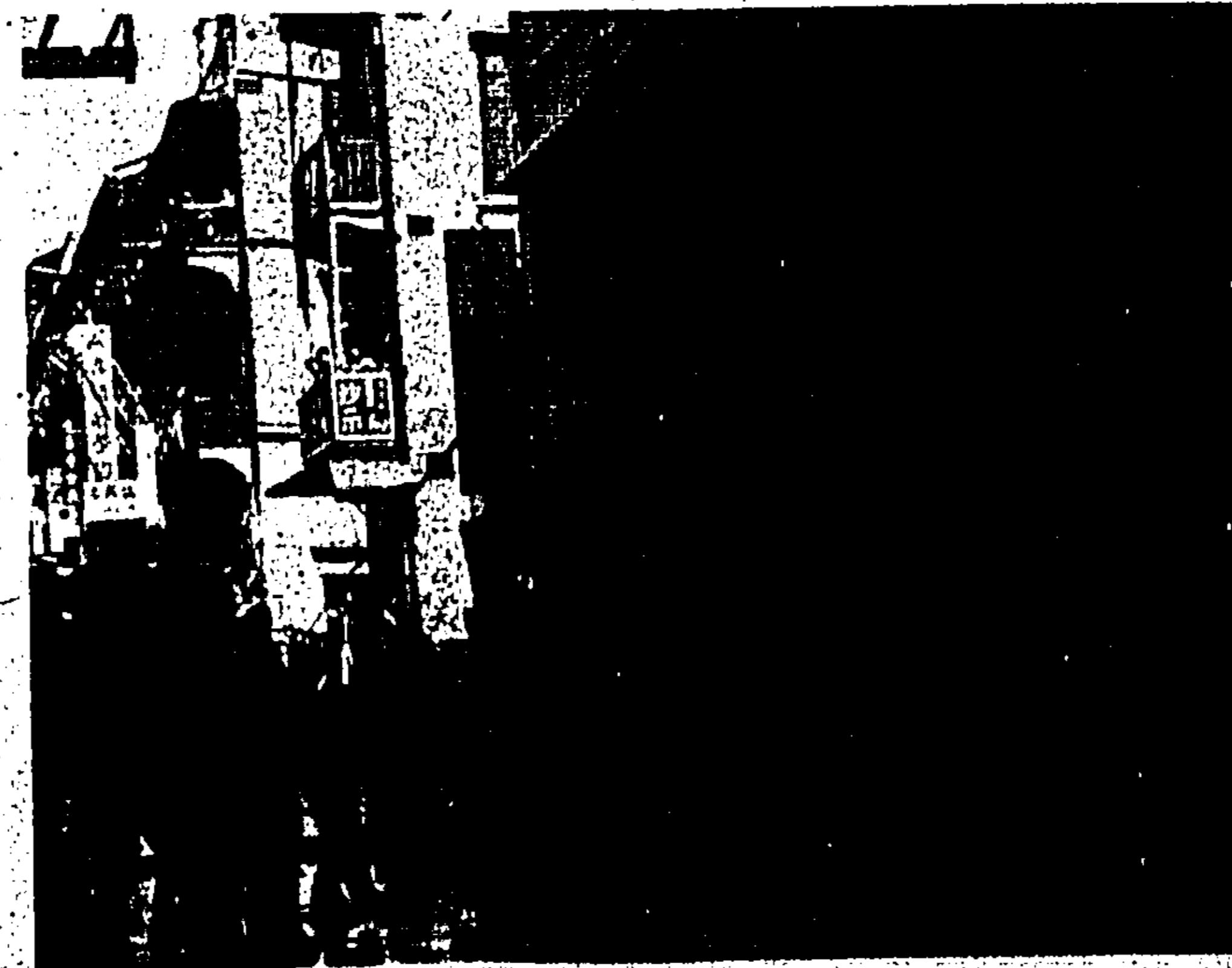


Mr. Harold Tiplady has been awarded the King's Police and Fire Service Medal for "courage and initiative" in dealing with the disastrous fire at the West Point godown of the Wing On Company on September 22 last. He was then Acting Deputy Chief Officer and was responsible for saving a number of residents trapped on roof tops. ("China Mail" photo)

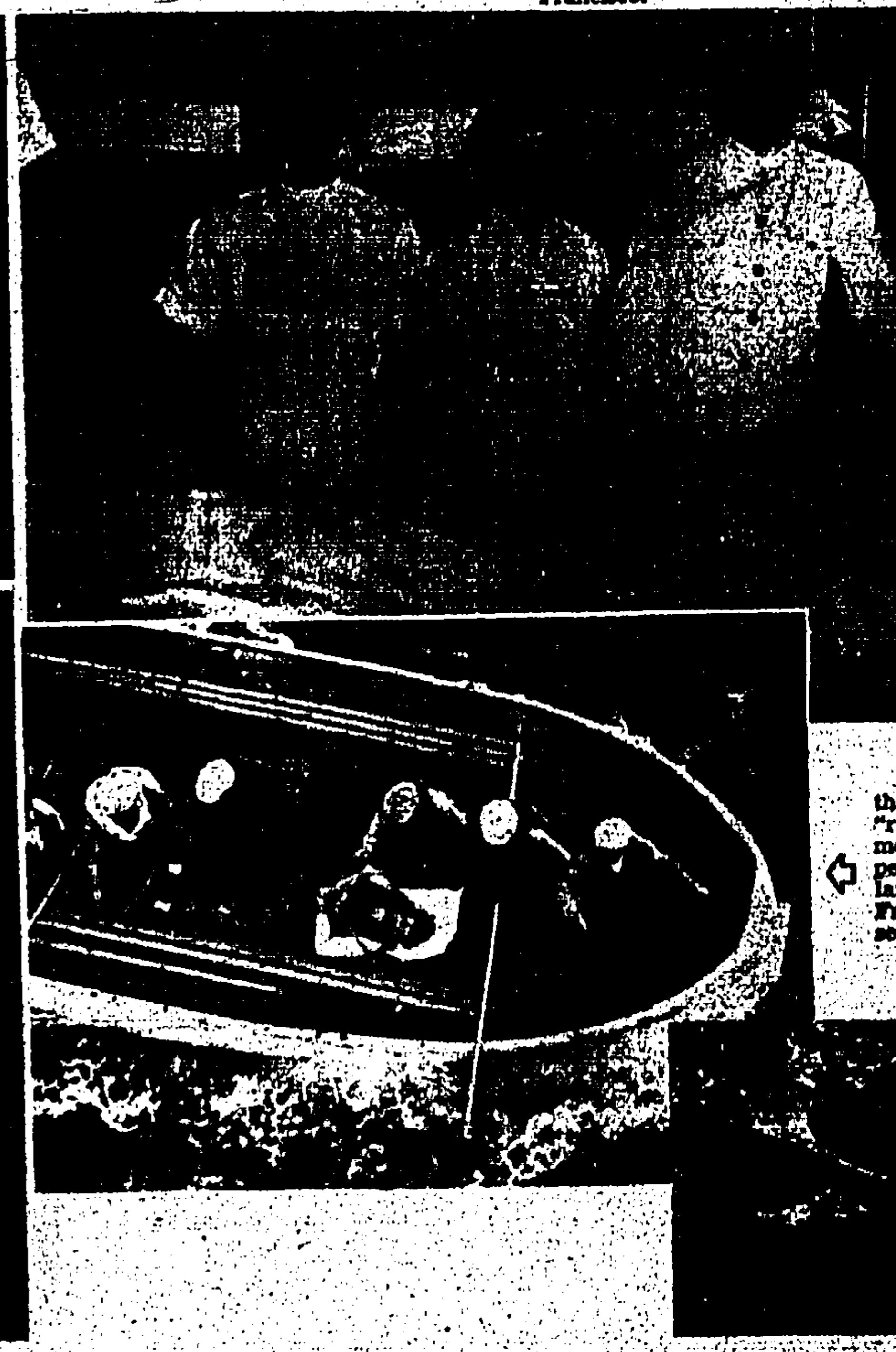


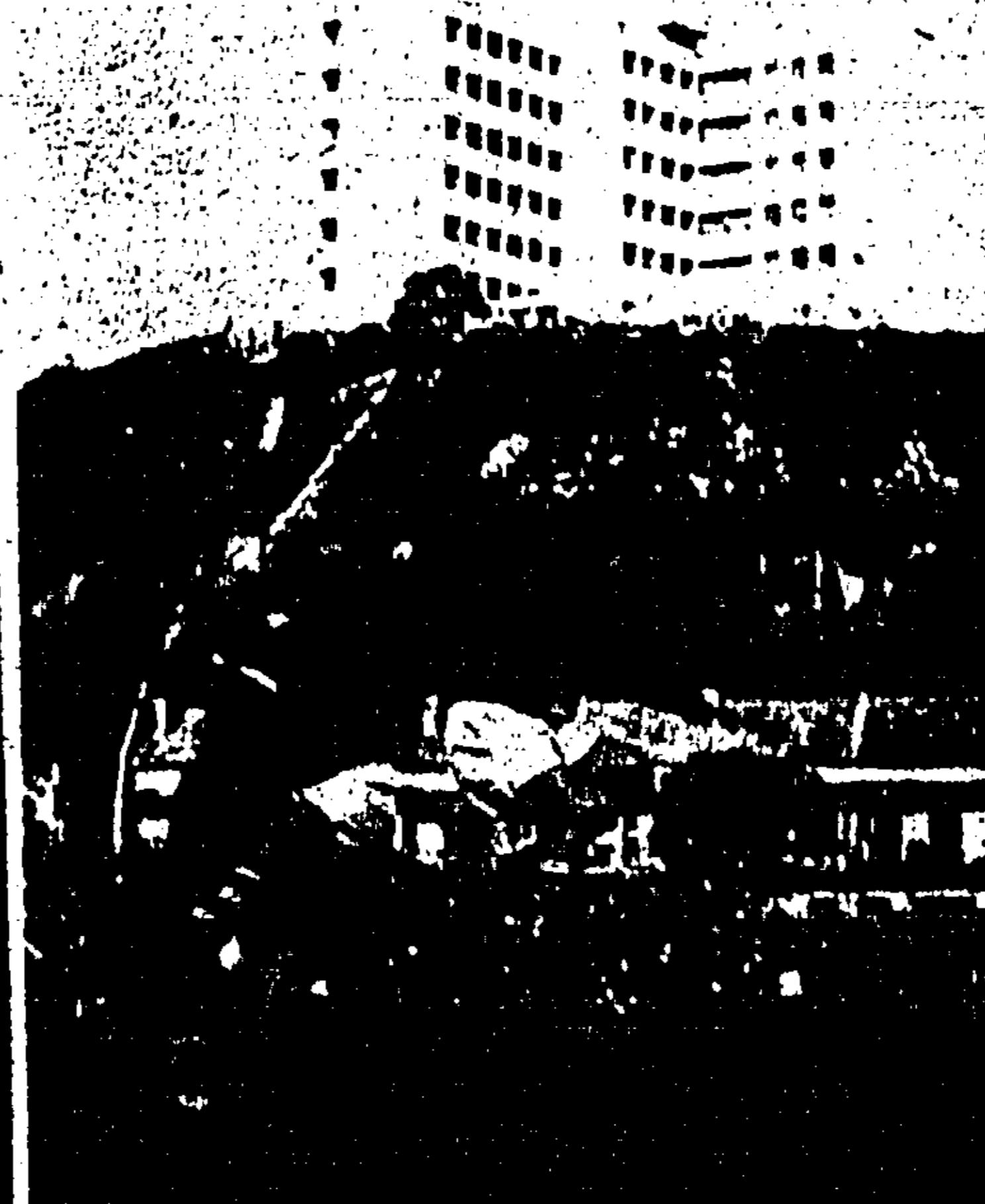
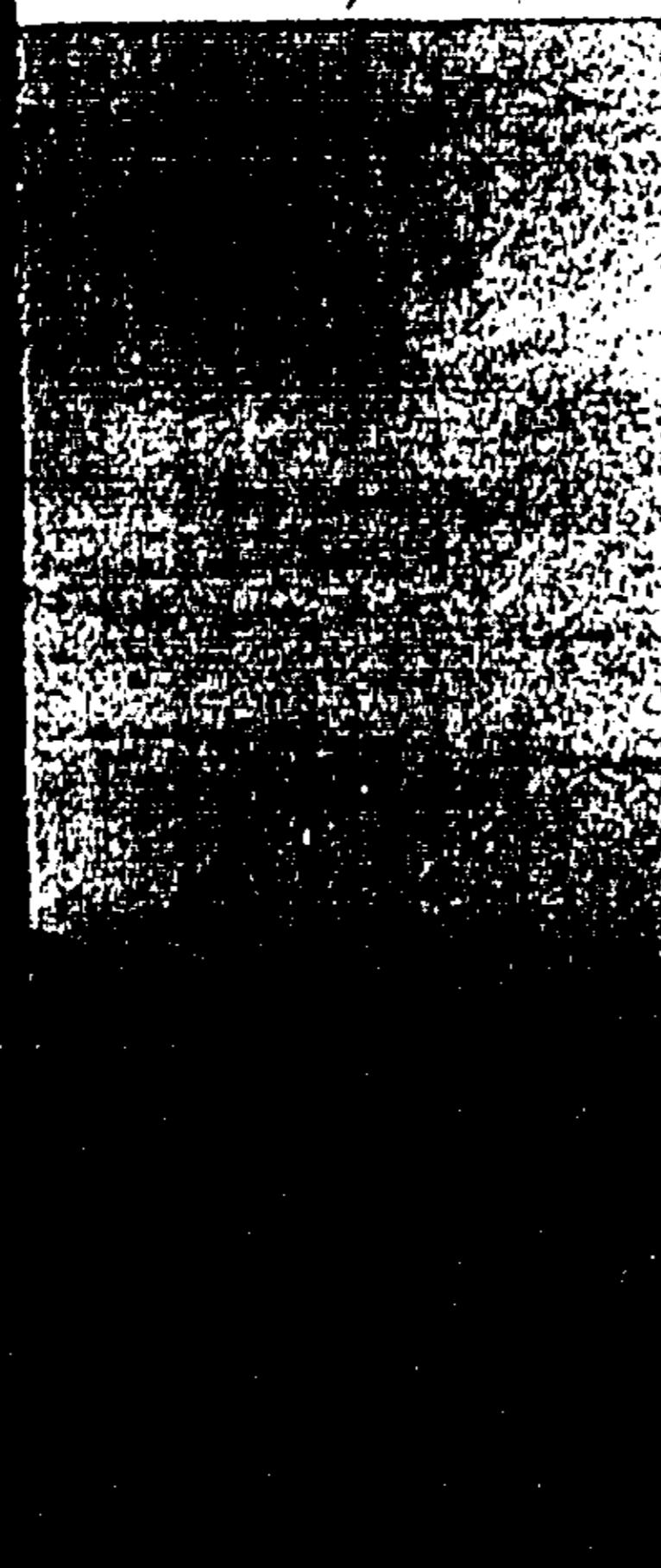
For gallantry in the West Point Wing On godown fire from which he saved 60 lives, Station Officer Wong Wai-sol, of the Fire Brigade, has been awarded the King's Police and Fire Service Medal. ("China Mail" photo)

A 14-year-old shop assistant lost his life in a fire which gutted a fireworks dealers premises in Stanton Street. Firemen wore gas masks to enter the building and remove inflammable goods on the upper floors. ("China Mail" photo)



Japan's famous snow-covered Fujiyama mountain is seen in the distance as CNAC's Skymasters which now touch at Tokyo on the flight from Francisco.



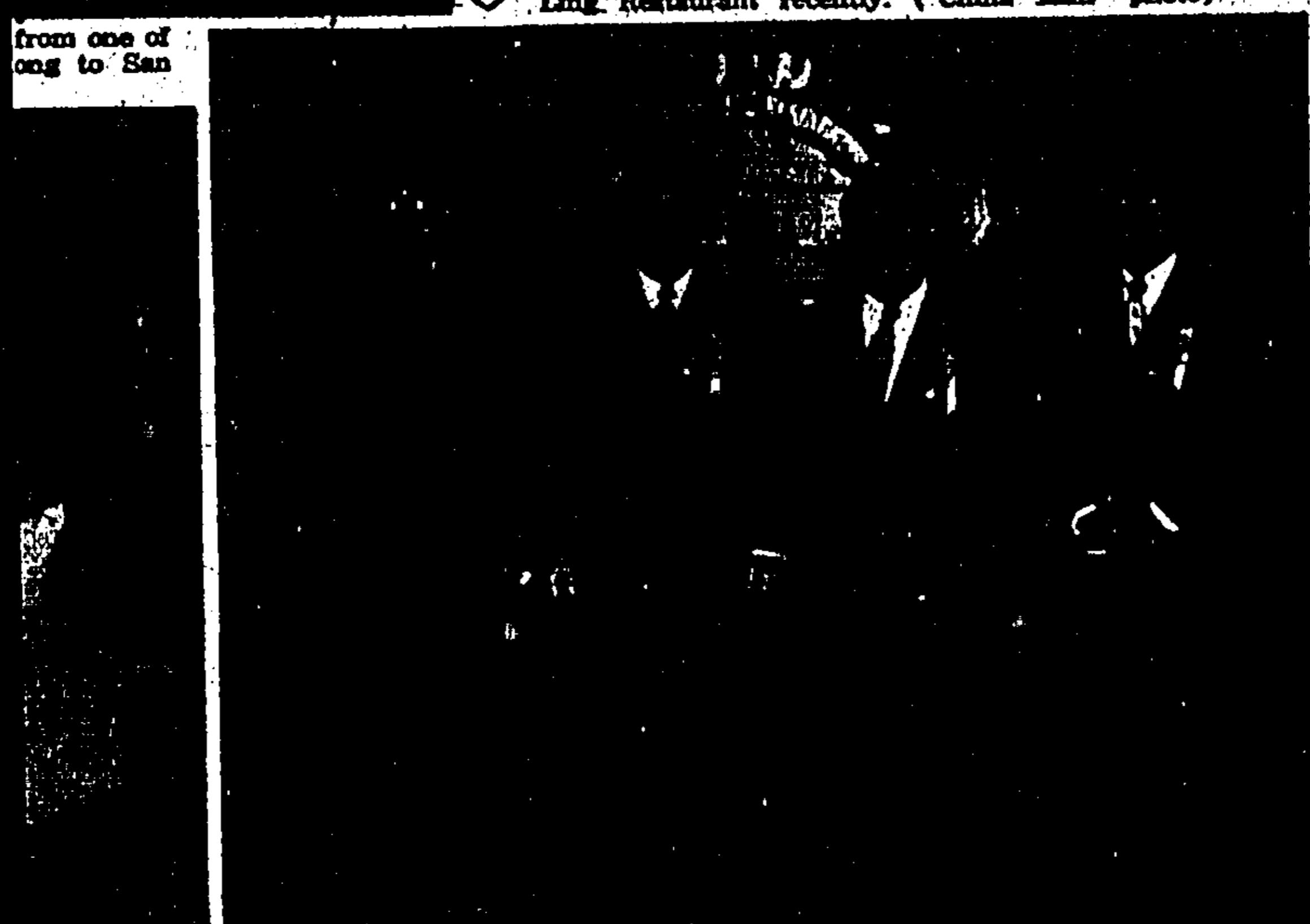


This is the Combined Chinese team which beat the Army by three goals to two in the Memorial Cup soccer competition at Happy Valley. ("China Mail" photo)



The Combined Chinese beat the Army by three goals to two in the Memorial Cup competition at Happy Valley on February 18. The losing team (above) played a fast game but could not equalise the score when the final whistle blew. ("China Mail" photo)

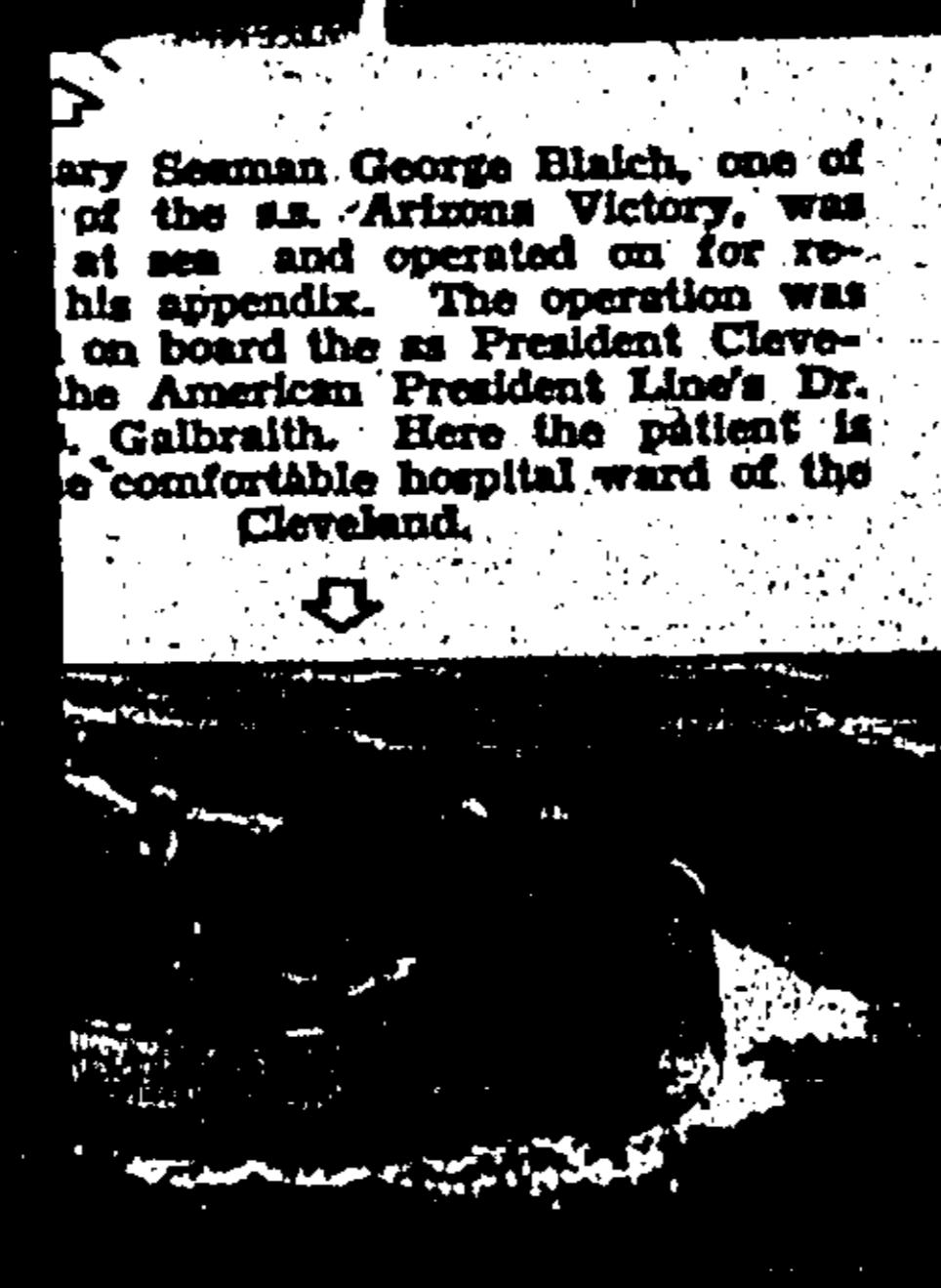
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Seaman George Blaich, one of the crew of the ss "Arizona Victory," was at sea and operated on for removal of his appendix. The operation was on board the ss President Cleveland American President Line's Dr. Galbraith. Here the patient is in a comfortable hospital ward of the Cleveland.



A considerable number of local residents flocked to the Eu Tong Sen Gymnasium recently to see the Hong Kong University Arts Association's "The School for Scandal" play. (Ming Yuen studio)



Members of the cast in "The School for Scandal" presented by the Arts Association of the Hong Kong University at the Eu Tong Sen Gymnasium recently. (Ming Yuen Studio)



Miriam and Veronica, twin baby daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. C. Wong, were christened at St. Theresa's Church, Kowloon Tong, last week. The group was taken at the entrance of the church. (Mainland Studio)

Mr. Sherman Chiu and his bride, the former Miss Wong May, who were married at the Registrar's Office, Supreme Court, on February 3. (Mayfair Studio)

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. V. Hugo Marcal after their marriage at the Rosary Church recently. The bride was formerly Miss Maria dos Remedios. ("China Mail" photo)



Graham John, infant son of Inspector and Mrs. D. Clark, was baptised at St. John's Cathedral on February 12. ("China Mail" photo)



Miss Margaret Ann Blenkinsop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. P. Blenkinsop of Kowloon Dock, celebrated her 14th birthday anniversary recently. Here is Margaret and some of her friends who attended the party. (King's Studio)

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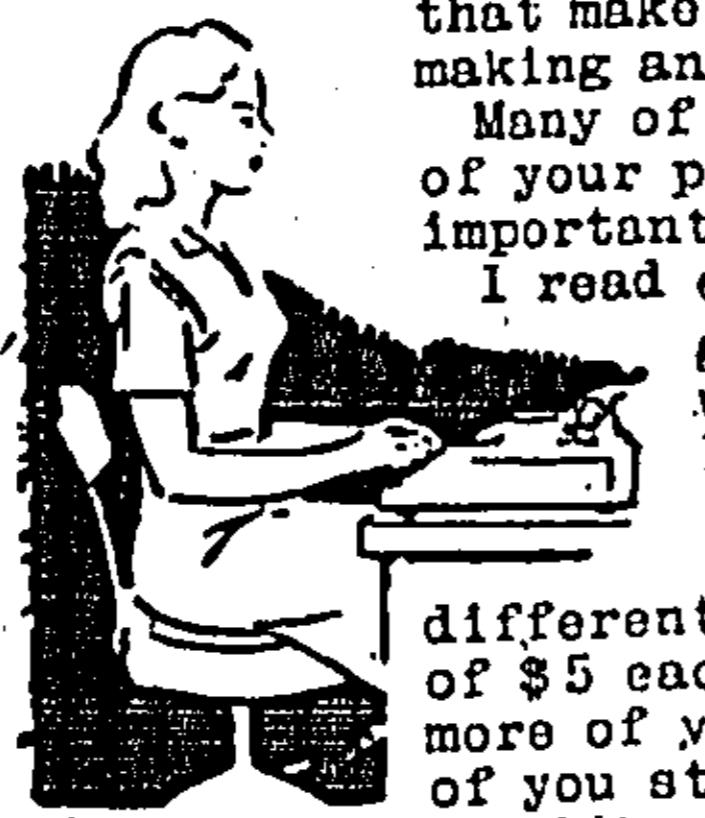
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# Children's Herald

## AT MY TYPEWRITER...



How are you enjoying this fine cool weather? It is the kind that makes you feel like getting up at the crack of dawn and making an early start on your work.

Many of you wrote and said that you have problems. Well, some of your problems are not only important to you, but are also important to me.

I read every one of your letters, and already I feel we are good friends. I really do want to help you in every way I can, but you must give me time to answer your letters, and I'll try my very best.

Another new idea which I hope you all will like, is that prizes for the competitions will be a little different. Starting this week, there will be two first prizes of \$5 each and six consolation prizes of \$2 each. In this way more of you will have a chance to win a cash prize (which most of you still think is the best.) At any rate do let me know if you like it or not.

The last chapter of the serial "Comrades of the Legion" will appear on page 2. I can't promise you another one exactly the same as this, but will see what I can find.

Happy days to you all. from

*Auntie Vee*

### Merry Moments

"Dicky, you mustn't pull the cat's tail,"

"I'm only holding it. The cat is pulling."

"My papa's a book keeper," said

little Albert proudly.

"Yes, I know it," replied small Sally. "he's keeping several that he borrowed from my papa."

"Mamma, can I go out to play?"

"What, with all those holes in

your pants?"

"No, Mamma, with the little boy

next door."

"Willy, won't you have some

more ice cream?"

"No, ma'm. Mother says I don't

want any more."

### IN THE WOODS

I love to go into the woods,  
To see the beauty there,  
The squirrel collecting all his  
nuts, so full of care.

He puts them very carefully  
In with his winter store,  
Then when that's done, he always  
Goes back for more and more.

Then there is the little stream,  
That flows so gently by,  
Everyone can catch a fish,  
I often wonder why?

But I like the big oak tree,  
Which stands at the edge of the  
wood;

I have a little friend there,  
I call him Robin Hood.

He really is a little bird,  
A sweet little robin redbreast.  
There's always some crumbs  
for him,

Left over from my breakfast.

Now we must leave our little

friend

Who lives in the big oak tree.

I do hope you have enjoyed.

That little romp with me.

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WHAT AMUSES THE CLOWN?

To form the outline, draw a line from "1" to dot "2", then "3" and so on till the picture is finished.

After that you can paint the picture in any colours you like.

Fill in the form below and send

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Herald, Windsor House, with

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This week the prizes will be

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Mark the left hand corner of

your envelope "Competition".

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## Comrades of the Legion

by Angus MacDonald

"Yes, Cavendish," the Legionnaire observed mockingly, "I am that same Kurt Jansen who ruined your career. I was in the pay of the British Secret Service, in which you held a position of trust. At the same time I was selling information to foreign powers."

"You began to suspect me and I realised I had to act quickly. Therefore I cleverly 'planted' evidence that threw suspicion on to you. In short, I made you the scapegoat and came off scot-free."

The Englishman clenched his fist.

"You double-dealing scoundrel!" he ground out. "All these years, ever since I escaped from Britain and the unjust sentence that was the outcome of your lying and your treachery, I have been seeking to track you down. All these years I have been tracing your movements across the world—till I learned you had got into a particularly bad scrape and taken refuge in the Legion. I even learned you were stationed at Fort Miribel under some assumed name."

He broke off, and looked at Jansen penetratingly.

"By thunder," he exclaimed, "it was no doubt through you that Abdel-Hussain discovered what was afoot there! You have played the traitor once again! I'm certain of it, because according to my information you were engaged in smuggling rifles to the desert tribes before you joined the Legion."

"You are right, Cavendish," Jansen admitted smugly. "I am working for Abdel-Hussain, who pays me well. But you will never live to testify against me. Now that I know of this secret tunnel I'll lead the Touaregs into the Fort by way of it after dark. By to-night Captain Santerre and the garrison will be food for the jackals and the vultures—as you yourself will presently be, my dear Cavendish!"

He raised his rifle deliberately to level it at the Englishman's heart.

It was then that Simon and Mary cried out, the girl with terror in her voice, the boy in a tone of fierce resolution.

Reckless of his own life, Simon sprang at Jansen.

Instantly the man switched his rifle upon him, but the diversion gave John Cavendish a chance he was quick to seize and, bounding forward, he drove his bunched knuckles into the Legionnaire's

## NEWS

Do you remember a poem called "A Prince Is Born" printed in the "Children's Herald" some time ago? It was in the December 12 issue.

It was written by Anne Simons of Cherry Hill Lodge, Ho Man Tin Hill, Kowloon. She sent a copy of it to her great aunt in England, and without Ann knowing it, her great aunt sent a copy to Princess Elizabeth. Three days later the following letter was received by her:

Buckingham Palace,  
13th January, 1949.

Dear Madam,  
I am desired by The Princess Elizabeth to express to you Her Royal Highness' most sincere thanks for your very kind thought in sending The Princess a copy of your great-niece's charming poem which her Royal Highness has much pleasure in accepting.

Yours truly,  
Margaret Hay,  
Lady-in-waiting.

Jaw before the rogue could fire. Jansen dropped in his tracks. He was insensible when he thudded to the sand; nor did he regain consciousness for some considerable time.

When he did recover his wits it was to find himself on the back seat of the Cavendish shooting-brake as it sped Northward to Gharbaya, his arms and legs tightly pinioned by his own cross-belts and waist-belt.

Peace reigned again over Fort Miribel. Thanks to Cavendish a relief force had hastened to its rescue, and now the Touaregs were either prisoners or lay lifeless on the Saharan sands.

In Miribel itself Cavendish, Simon and Mary were relating to Santerre the story of Kurt Jansen. "At Gharbaya, where we denounced him," Cavendish finished, "Jansen broke down and confessed all to the French authorities. He also cleared me of the charge that has long made me an exile. Now I can at last settle in Britain."

"And I fancy you won't wish to stir from Britain again," Santerre murmured understandingly. "But if ever you should return to Africa, Major Cavendish, I shall be proud to renew our acquaintance; for to me you and our children will always be comrades of the Legion!"

THE END

## The Fairies' Ball

The fairies were getting ready for a ball in honour of their queen, as she was abdicating in favour of her daughter, because she was getting old.

Now, Lord Tremorphor thought that his daughter should be queen instead. So he volunteered to make the icy dew, which was a kind of drizzle.

The day of the ball came, and the queen arrived in her golden chariot with her daughter.

Dinner was served and then came the drinks.

Just when the queen and her daughter were about to drink, two arrows fell out a tree. When Lord Tremorphor saw this, he began to run away, but a pair of strong hands pulled him back.

Then Lord Tremorphor made a confession that he had put poison in the drinks. The queen was so angry that she turned him into an ugly toad, while the one who saved her life was given a bag of gold coins.

Honour certificate to Roger Clive Kemp aged 12, of 14c, Hillwood Road, Top floor, Kowloon.

## GOOD NIGHT

When I say my bed-time prayers,  
As I kneel beside my bed;  
I see an angel vision  
With her wings about her spread.

Oh! her face is full of beauty.  
And her body white as snow;  
As she points a finger at me  
Calling my spirit to go.

And my eyes sleepily flutter  
As I say a quiet Amen;  
And as I creep into my bed—  
Sleeping.

Still she points her finger at me  
And my spirit flies away.  
While my eyes shut tight, I'm  
sleeping.

And I know no more till day.  
Honour certificate to June David of 43, Conduit Road, Hong Kong.

## Wonder Questions

What are muscles?  
Muscles are red, fleshy bodies inside us that carry out the orders of our body and nervous system. They vary in shape and size, some being thin and flat and others long and narrow, depending on their position on the body. But they all do the work of moving the body. When we walk, or just bend our little finger, it is through the muscles that we do so. They are the servants of the body and carry out its commands.

Which was the first country ever discovered?

There was no "first" country to be discovered, but as far as we know the first people in the world to make history lived around the Mediterranean and in the great river valleys such as the Nile, the Euphrates, and the Yellow River in China.

Moving out from these areas the people "discovered" the lands around them, until gradually they settled more and more lands. This has been going on slowly from the beginning of man's history, and in every part of the world where he ever has settled.

## SORT OUT THESE JUMBLED WORDS

Here are names of some great rivers in the world. Take it easy and sort these out. If you're unable to do it, turn the page upside down and you'll find the answers.

(1) Vier Graone, (2) Ulbe

Ellin, (3) Revi Oogen, (4) Evri

Girne, (5) Irvi Spismisip, (6)

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By Frank Godwin

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## In The Mailbag

## RUSTY RILEY

EVA, you need not tell your sister to come to the office to collect the certificate, as I've already sent it to you. It's an honour certificate, keep it and when you have gained 20 points you will get \$10.

ZEZITO of Macao, you need not pay for enrolling in the H.C.C. It's open to all children who would like to join.

OLIVE JOHNSON, you are not grote crashing at all. I'm always glad to receive letters, and yours was a most welcome one. Hope to hear from you more often.

TEDDY CHU, you are now a member of the H.C.C.

## H.C.C. Members

NAME: Cynthia Souane.  
ADDRESS: 4, Gresson Street,  
(2nd fl.)  
AGE: 15.  
HOBBIES: Reading and collecting film photos.

NAME: Alvaro Souza.  
ADDRESS: 2, Granville Road,  
(1st fl.)  
AGE: 15.  
HOBBIES: Collecting stamps.

NAME: Samuel Samy.  
ADDRESS: 6, Hillwood Road,  
(1st fl.), Kowloon.  
AGE: 10.  
HOBBIES: Stamps, sports, Western and mystery novels, picture cards, correspondence, comics, songs, music and records.

NAME: Irene Smirnoff.  
ADDRESS: 15, Cameron Road  
(top fl.)  
AGE: 14.  
HOBBIES: Reading collecting music books and playing the piano.

NAME: Geoffrey Lisle True-  
man.  
ADDRESS: 20, Jubilee Build-  
ings, Shamshuiipo.  
AGE: 12.  
HOBBIES: Collecting stamps.

NAME: Jennifer Tuck.  
ADDRESS: 2, Cox's Path, Kow-  
loon.  
AGE: 11.  
HOBBIES: Dancing, knitting, sewing, and stamp collecting.

NAME: Norma Voke.  
ADDRESS: 29, Jubilee Build-  
ings, Shamshuiipo.  
AGE: 11.  
HOBBIES: Swimming, net-ball and cooking.

NAME: Cecilia Wan.  
ADDRESS: 10, Rua Pedro Cau-  
tinho, Macao.  
AGE: 10.  
HOBBIES: Reading, and sawing.

NAME: Joan Maud White.  
ADDRESS: 41, Peking Road.  
(1st fl.), Kowloon.  
AGE: 11.  
HOBBIES: Collecting bus tickets.

NAME: Kenneth Wong.  
ADDRESS: 14, Duke Street,  
Kowloon.  
AGE: 11.  
HOBBIES: Printing.

NAME: Dorothy Wong.  
ADDRESS: 10, Chancery Lane,  
(2nd fl.)  
AGE: 11.  
HOBBIES: Reading and cooking.

NAME: Michael Wilcox.  
ADDRESS: Central Police Station, Hong Kong.  
HOBBIES: Stamp collecting.



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## Birthday Greetings



HUGH CHAUN of 23, Cumberland Road will be 14 years old on February 21.

On February 23, ANGUS BUCHANAN of Melbourne Hotel, Room 215, Kowloon will be nine years old.

On February 25, LOUITA M. GUTIERREZ of Ma Tau Chung Camp, Kowloon, and WENDY YEO of 6, Suffolk Road, Kowloon Tong, will both be 12 years old.

On February 26, DORIS BECK of Taikoo Sugar Refinery, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong, will be 13 years old.

A Happy Birthday to you all.

What is the difference between an auction sale and being seasick?

Answer: The auctioneer has to pay for the boat.

If a man splits his sides with laughter, what ought he to do?

Answer: Stop by the pub.

## WORLD SPOTLIGHT

Naturalists throughout the world will shortly be examining scientific accounts of the finding in a remote district in the South Island of New Zealand of two living specimens of the notornis, a flightless swamp hen, which has been believed to be extinct for half a century.

The notornis was becoming rare over 100 years ago when Europeans first settled in New Zealand. Only four specimens have ever been captured before and they are museum treasures. Two are in the British Museum, one is at Dresden and one in New Zealand.

Toward the close of last century many parties set out in search of the notornis, attracted for the rewards freely offered for specimens, but they met with no success. The species had apparently died out.

Then, after 50 years, a party of naturalists came on strange tracks in the Lake Te Anau district in the far South of New Zealand.

With their curiosity excited, the party returned recently armed with cameras and nets. In an area of snowgrass they sighted three of the birds, very far from extinct.

The naturalists set nets and two birds walked into them.

They were examined for an hour and a half and were then released in the hope that the colony of strange survivors from the past would continue to flourish. About 18ins. high and weighing 5lbs., the birds cannot fly but have strong beaks and claws.

There's hope for the Dodo yet.

Woman keepers at Melbourne Zoo got on better with the animals than do the men zoo staff.

So, at present, the zoo has three smart girls to look after monkeys, dingo pups, kangaroos, lion cubs, leopards and vultures.

One of the girls, 24-year-old Miss Anne Gubbins, ex-Melbourne University student, is zoo doctor. Every day, with the head keeper, she holds a sick parade for lame, spotty and mangy animals.

Her most important patient at the moment is a leopard whose feet have to be painted daily—to harden the pads. Says Miss Gubbins: "He's a particularly nice leopard."

If schoolchildren in South Africa had a vote they would certainly ensure that Mr. J. J. O'Connor, who is standing as an Independent at the Provincial Council elections next March, was elected.

Part of his programme is: "No homework for schoolchildren except reading and spelling the English and Afrikaans languages and learning how to speak them correctly."

Children between eight and 12 years of age themselves pick the films which are included in the Children's Film Library just set up in Canada.

Suggested films are shown before an audience of children during a "wiggle test." If the children wiggle in their seats too much, it is a sign that the film is boring them, and is therefore unsuitable to add to their library.

Films are also seen by the Committee of grown-ups, who cut out any films or parts of films which they think are unsuitable.

The purpose of the Library is to make films available at nominal rates for special shows for child audiences.

## WHO AM I?

My first is in coat but not in oat.

My second is in boat and also in mont.

My third is in knee but not in me.

My fourth is in she and also in feet.

My whole is something that grows on a tree.

Answer: Cone.

Honour certificate to Eleanor Reed of 10, Eighton Hill Flats, Hong Kong.

## Merry Moments

Small boy: Does the giraffe have a sore throat if it gets its feet wet?

Big brother: Yes; but not until the following week.

Swimming teacher: Now don't forget that—a hollow body can't sink. Next time I'll show you how easy it is to keep your head above water.

"No" fishing allowed here."

"I'm not fishing, I'm allowing this worm to bathe."

"Can I see that worm?"

"Here it is."

"Well, you are arrested for allowing it to bathe without a swimming costume."

"I am going to break the high dive record."

"But that board is only 15 feet high."

"I know, but I am going to dive off it four times."

"Can you swim, boy?"

"Yes, sir."

"Where did you learn?"

"In the water, sir."

"Now, Billy, what letter in the alphabet comes before J?"

"I am sure I don't know, teacher."

"What have I on both sides of my nose?"

"Freckles."

Never go in the water after a hearty meal; you'll never find it there.

Dorothy, aged five, after watching her mother making a pencil sketch, said: "Mamma, I know what drawing is."

"Well, what is it, dear?"

"It's just thinking, and then making a mark around a think."

Aunt: I'll fix your grapefruit for you, dear. How much sugar shall I put on it?

Else: Too much, please, auntie.

## DONALD DUCK



Honour certificate to Lolita Gutierrez of Ma Tau Chung Camp, Room No. 3, Kowloon.

## The Competition

## Winners

First prize of \$10 goes to Albert Xavier of 10, Austin Avenue, Kowloon; second prize of \$7 goes to Vincent Chang of 25C Tung Tau Village, Kowloon, and third prize of \$5 goes to Irene Hurlow of 37, Ashley Road, 1st floor, Kowloon.

Honour certificates of five points have been awarded to Joan Childe of 45, Chungking Arcade, Kowloon; Law Ping Shue of 27, Caroline Hill Road, 1st floor, Hong Kong and Edith Mason of Argyle Estate, Room 31, Kowloon.

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Also in Reader's Digest

Formula for presence of mind. Suddenly you wake—a footstep on the stairs! What to do? Pretend to sleep; scream; shake your spouse awake; grab the telephone; turn on lights? Read these gripping examples of how people have acted in dire emergencies... and the secret of what enables man to meet crises without panic.

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Strange ways of Stephorst. A girl isn't allowed to marry till pregnant—and funerals end with feasts in this Dutch town. Sounds pagan—yet they read the Bible every night, spend 5 hours in church on Sundays. Unique customs of a people who shut themselves off from the outside world centuries ago. (Condensed from *Life*)

God and the American people. How many Americans believe in God; go to church; think they lead a good life—love their neighbor? Here are results of a survey that reveals our religious beliefs... how much we fail to live up to them... and why our self-satisfaction makes us a tragically easy mark for Communism. (Condensed from *Ladies' Home Journal*)

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## NUREMBERG REVISITED FROM ERIC BOURNE

"Sir, we can get anything we want now. Plenty to eat—everything."

An hour's stroll past the shops and again at night by the restaurants, rebuilt and ablaze with light, which have mushroomed up amid the macabre ruins of the Old Town, suggested that the young German driver from the American taxi pool was right.

It was my first stay in Nuremberg since two years ago I saw Lord Justice Lawrence pass judgment on Goering and the other sorry remnants of the Nazi hierarchy, and my first stay anywhere in Bizonia since the currency reform last June.

Nuremberg, I am assured, is quite typical of the cities and big towns of the American controlled area. Yet reports from Germany have failed to convey adequately the picture of the radical material change the Western zones have undergone in the past few months.

Probably the writers are too close to realise it. As with the ruins amid which they still live, the overall scene is all too familiar for the change, fantastic as it is in many ways, to be fully observed, particularly in a land where for three years the fantastic has been common-place.

The Germans are pleased with the D-mark. It is real money. They are not interested any more in cigarettes, whose "prices" have slumped, and German cigarettes are so plentiful that Americans who find a weekly ration of 15 packets of 20 inadequate are now buying more from the natives!

In one shop I inspected some chess sets handsomely carved from bone. Prices ranged from 140 to 200 marks (about ten guineas to £15). Out of curiosity I told the shopkeeper I had no German money—cigarettes perhaps? He shook his head and smiled me out. A change from the days when Allied

customers stood on one side of a store armed with cartons of cigarettes waiting to snap up the jewellery or other family valuables with which wretched Germans were parting on the other side of the store.

All over Nuremberg, shops have sprung up among the ruins. Well-lit, well-designed and dressed windows offer a lavish array of goods. The shelves of pre-war stores which miraculously escaped the bombs and which stayed "empty" for three years after the war are lined now with packets and bottles and cans of groceries, meat and sausage—commodities in many cases concealed "under the counter" during the lean years when the British housewife was being stinted to help keep Germany from going under.

Fresh meat and fats are still a problem for the scrupulous, but if you are ready to pay your butcher well you will eat meat most days of the week if not all, and the selfishly-inclined Bavarian has rarely allowed the rest of Germany's need for fats to compel him to go short himself.

Those whose purses are big enough—and they are surprisingly many—are indulging in an orgy of spending.

It is in the cafes at night that life assumes its most fantastic shape. The menus of half-a-dozen of them offered a better choice and more to eat than many good London restaurants when I was last in London a year ago.

You could have soup and hors d'oeuvres, your pick of numerous fish and meat dishes (both if you wanted them), plenty of poultry including roast goose at six marks 50 Pfennigs, the most expensive item on the menu, with cream cake or some other sweet and coffee to wind up with.

The meals are so good that when the restaurants were first opened, American personnel swarmed into them. Now all German cafes are "off limits" and, in theory, open to Germans only.

But it is easy for the Americans, understandably tired of their own messes, to eat without coupons, as many Germans do, and pay another 50 pfennigs or so for the privilege. Few of the cafes, I was told, enforce the rationing regulations by demanding coupons for meat, fat, and sugar. To kick off by ordering goose is a sure hint to the proprietor that you have money to spend and are ready to spend it.

A more gratifying spectacle is the patching-up and rebuilding that is going quickly ahead all over the city. A year ago I could have driven around blind-folded but today familiar corners then bounded by heaps of debris or marked by a burned-out shell have disappeared, and modest office-blocks or shops and houses have risen. Everywhere second doses of repairs are being administered to damaged dwellings.

One bomb-site near the heart of the city remains undisturbed. It is a well and truly blasted centre section of the great Palace of Justice where Goering was sentenced and where for two years since an American tribunal has heard a dozen other cases.

At the end of the year, this American court (which has tried 150 Nazi diplomats and politicians, industrialists, scientists and bankers, field marshals, generals and S.S. leaders and sent 24 of them to the gallows, 17 to life imprisonment and 64 more to varying terms), will close down.

Perhaps the Nurembergers will set about repairing the courthouse. Their present disinclination is symbolic of the attempt, right from the days of the IMT, to avert their eyes from the drama drawn and re-drawn within that now strangely silent building.

Then they endeavoured to ignore the big trial proceeding in their midst. Today, with so many of their affairs back in their own hands, they give the impression of trying to ignore the presence of the occupation itself.

## RELIEF FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES

FROM J. L. HAYS

The tentage available is not nearly enough to go round. Arabs have big families, and two families of eight or nine members each are frequently sharing bell tents intended for ten occupants. Hundreds of unlucky families are living in the open.

"Soon," says Mr. MacCabe, "it will be physically impossible for those people to go on living in the open-air."

For many children and elderly people it is "soon" already. Every morning a donkey-drawn "death cart" collects bodies from tents and "fox-holes" in the sand. The cemetery beyond the tents extends daily.

Burly Mr. MacCabe, former Indian Army officer, told me: "You can't call these places camps—tents just pitched in open country. There is no money for organisers, equipment, or doctors—or for food, for that matter.

"Tens of thousands of refugees are simply starving.

"Transjordan provides flour, and the trucks to bring it to the camps. There have been gifts of food from many countries—Britain started off the relief work with a gift of £100,000 in cash and credits—but although the quantities seem big on paper they go nowhere when you divide by hundreds of thousands.

"For example I received and distributed 100 tons of Australian flour—the Arabs' staple food. It sounds a lot, but a rough estimate shows that with a bit of luck every one of my 320,000 refugees might—I say might—have had a half-pound loaf once, only once, since the refugee problem first loomed up before the British Mandate for Palestine was surrendered on May 15 last.

"What we have received so far in food, cash, and relief stores has not touched the fringe of the problem."

What is being done? Britain has offered more help if other nations "fall in" as well—this time cash credits and "kind" to the value of a cool £1,000,000.

Before the social and financial committees of the United Nations right now is a major relief plan involving the expenditure of £7,500,000; but until final decisions are taken in Paris little can be done on the spot.

"It is impossible to hire staff, contract for supplies, set up medical and transport services until money is available," says Mr. MacCabe. "What we want is an immediate grant of funds which will enable us to get on with the job—blueprint planning can wait."

## Listening-Post

English-language programmes and news from the BBC in London can be heard in Hong Kong on the following stations:

(All times are Hong Kong Standard Time)

BBC LONDON  
(GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE)

6.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	16.64 metres
6.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.	19.82 metres
9.00 p.m. to 10.15 p.m.	19.84 metres
10.15 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.	19.82 metres
12.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m.	20.64 metres
1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.	19.82 metres
2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	19.82 metres
3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	19.82 metres
4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	19.82 metres
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	19.82 metres
News Bulletins are broadcast at 9.00 a.m., 11.00 a.m., 12.15 p.m. (dictation speed), 2.00 p.m., 3.00 p.m., 4.00 p.m., 5.00 p.m., 7.00 p.m., 11.00 p.m., 12.00 p.m. on the wavelengths indicated above.	19.82 metres
Relays of news broadcasts from the BBC in London, as well as other English-language programmes, can be heard by listeners over the following stations:	19.82 metres

RADIO BEAC Ceylon

19.84 metres	49.32 metres
81.61 metres	55.8 metres
16.86 metres	

News relays may be heard at the following times: 7.00 p.m. and 12.00 p.m. from Monday to Friday and also at 9.00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday on the wavelengths indicated above.

RADIO SINGAPORE

44.31 metres	25.377 metres
30.98 metres	19.81 metres

## Programme News

AGAINST MICROBES  
THE MENACE OF MICROBES, the third in the BBC's series of feature programmes called 'Research and Discovery' presents the story of the fight against infectious disease. In writing the script Patrick Impey has been helped by two authorities on the subject, H. P. Gilding, Professor of Physiology, and P. G. H. Gell, Reader in Pathology, University of Birmingham. In all the programmes in this series, the producer, Robin Whitworth, is having the technical advice of Professor S. Zuckerman, F.R.S., Professor of Anatomy at Birmingham University. This week's programme will deal with man's continual struggle against disease. Listeners will hear of the world-wide toll of epidemics, how they spread and how they can be controlled. They will hear too of experiments, discoveries, practical achievements, current research and prospects in the fight against such enemies as malaria, typhoid, diphtheria, tuberculosis, and the common cold. (General Overseas: Wednesday, 4.30 p.m.)

THE BUNCH OF GRAPE  
THIS WEEK'S short story in the BBC's 'The Storyteller' series is 'The Bunch of Grape,' an Irish story of two small girls, by Mary Lavin. The author is American by birth, but she visited Ireland as a child and remained there for her education. For her book of short stories 'Tales from Bective Bridge' she received the James Tait Black Memorial Prize. (General Overseas: Wednesday, 10 a.m. and Friday, 5 p.m.)

THE IRISH GUARDS

P.M.  
Tuesday, 4 p.m.  
THE BAND of the Irish Guards will be heard in the BBC programme 'Scarlet and Blue' this week, accompanied by the Luton Girls' Choir, with Felton Rapley at the organ. The Irish pipers are colourful, with their doublets of green, kilts of reddish green, and feathered bonnets.

Field-Marshal Lord Alexander is one of the most famous of the distinguished officers who have served in the Irish Guards. (General Overseas: Tuesday, 4 p.m.)

## Sunday, February 20

EASTERN SERVICE  
P.M.  
10.30 THE REITH LECTURES (6) talk by Bertrand Russell

## B.B.C. Highlights

## GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

9.15 'DANCING THROUGH' played by Geraldo and his Concert Orchestra.

11.15 ORCHESTRA OF THE THEATRE ROYAL, DRURY LANE—Conductor: Reginald Burston.

P.M.

2.10 'THE RADIO DOCTOR'.

2.15 'TIME FOR WORSHIP' from Kempston Parish Church, Bedford, conducted by the Rev. H. C. Perry.

6.15 'COCKNEY CABARET' Presented by Monty Modlyn.

8.15 'TAKE IT FROM HERE' Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley, Jimmy Edwards, Wallas Eaton, Alan Dean, The Keynotes, BBC Revue Orchestra, conductor, Frank Cantelli.

8.45 'COLONIAL QUESTIONS'.

9.15 'SWEET SERENADE' Peter York and his Concert Orchestra with Carole Carr and Steve Conway.

10.00 'RADIO NEWSREEL'.

10.15 'CONCERTO' A series of weekly programmes Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 3 in C minor, played by Leslie England and the BBC Scottish Orchestra, conductor, Ian Whyte. Programme also includes Wagner's Siegfried Idyll.

11.45 'CHURCHMEN IN PROFILE' A series of biographical talks on leaders of British Church life during the past hundred years William Temple.

## Monday, February 21

## EASTERN SERVICE

P.M.

10.30 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME 'Turkey Today' A talk by Arnold J. Toynbee.

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

6.30 'TIP-TOP TUNES' Geraldo and his Orchestra.

P.M.

12.30 'TOM JONES' Founded upon Fielding's novel. Book by Alex M. Thompson and Robert Courtine. Music by Edward German with Joan Butler, Edith Lewin, Kathleen Coxon, Frederick Harvey, Clifford Dens, Dudley-Rolph. BBC Midland Light Orchestra, conductor, Gilbert Vinter.

1.45 'THE SMALL HOUSE AT ALINGTON' by Anthony Trollope. Adapted for broadcasting by H. Oldfield Box Episode 4.

4.30 'HAVE A GO!' The Quiz visits Keswick, a Market Town in the Lake District.

5.00 'WIL SIX' A feature programme written by Hugh K. Evans.

8.15 'BANDS WITHIN BANDS' The George Chisholm Swing Group from the Squadronaires' Dance Orchestra.

8.30 'WOMEN'S PROGRAMME'.

9.15 'BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA'.

10.00 'RADIO NEWSREEL'.

10.15 Eric Barker in 'WATERLOGGED SPA'

11.15 'CAPRICE' An entertainment with Marle Burke, Bruce Carfax, Lionel Stevens, Don Antonio, and Winifred Taylor.

11.45 'COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE'.

Tuesday, February 22

## GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

9.30 Naunton Wayne and Basil Bradford in 'HAVING A WONDERFUL CRIME'—Comedy thriller in eight episodes by Max Kester. 2. House to Let'.

10.30 'A SLIGHT CASE OF MUSIC'—between Cherry Lind and Benny Lee, accompanied by Alan Paul and Edna Hatfield at the pianos.

10.45 'COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE'.

11.15 'RING UP THE CURTAIN'—BBC Theatre Orchestra and Chorus, con-

ducted by Sir Thomas Beecham in excepts from the works of Berlioz.

12.30 'VARIETY BANDBOX'—from the Kilburn Empire, London, with Frankie Howard 'Flotsam' Bill Kerr, Peggy Desmond, Harry Secombe, Terry, Davy Kaye, and Johnny Denlis and his Ranchmen.

2.15 'BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA'.

4.00 'SCARLET AND BLUE'—Band of the Irish Guards, Conductor: Major K. H. Willcocks, Luton Girls' Choir, Conductor: Arthur E. Davies, Felton Rapley (organ).

5.00 'FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME'—Lorna McKean (soprano), The St. Michael's Singers, Thornton Loughouse (harpichord), Eric Gritton (organ), and The Riddick String Orchestra, conducted by Harold Darke, in Music from the Cantatas of J. S. Bach.

6.00 'AMERICAN LETTER'—by Alison Cooke.

6.15 'THE THOMAS CUP'—for Badminton. A recorded account of the play between the United States and Malaya, at the Kelvin Hall, Glasgow.

9.15 'VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE'—BBC Variety Orchestra, conductor Rae Jenkins, with Leon Goossens, (oboe) and Ada Alsop (soprano).

—Terry, Davy Kaye, and Johnny Dennis.

10.00 'RADIO NEWSREEL'.

11.30 'IN MY LIBRARY'—A talk by the Hon. Harold Nicolson.

11.45 'REPORT FROM BRITAIN'—A weekly talk by Vernon Bartlett.

## Wednesday, February 23

## EASTERN SERVICE

P.M.

10.30 'THE BRAINS TRUST'—Resident Team: Compton Mackenzie, F. C. Hooper, and Dr. C. D. Darlington, Question-Master: Gilbert Harding.

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

9.30 'MUCH-BINDING-IN-THE-MARSH'.

10.00 'THE STORYTELLER'—'The Bunch of Grapes' a short story by Mary Lavin, read by Mary O'Farrell.

11.15 'UP THE POLE'—with Jimmy Jewel, Ben Warriss, Claude Dampier, John Ferther. The Dance Orchestra, conducted by Stanley Black.

P.M.

1.45 'LISTENERS CHOICE'.

2.15 'DANCING THROUGH'.

4.00 'MUCH-BINDING-IN-THE-MARSH'.

4.30 'RESEARCH AND DISCOVERY'—A series of weekly programmes—Mozart's—Piano Concerto No. 23 in A played by Phyllis Sellick and the BBC Northern Orchestra, conducted by Clarence Raybould. Programme also includes Glinka's 'White Fantasy' and Tchaikovsky's Ballet Suite: 'The Sleeping Beauty'.

7.15 'REG PURSLOE'—and the Albany Players.

7.45 'GENERALLY SPEAKING'—'Famous Men'—Robert Blatchford by J. J. Mallon.

8.45 'BILLY MAYERL RHYTHM ENSEMBLE'.

9.15 'BBC NORTHERN ORCHESTRA'—Conductor: Charles Groves.

10.00 'RADIO NEWSREEL'.

11.45 'COLONIAL COMMENTARY'—by Professor W. M. McMillan.

## Thursday, February 24

## GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

10.45 'COLONIAL COMMENTARY'.

11.45 'THIRTY YEARS OF BRITISH JAZZ'—Presented by Hector Stewart.

P.M.

1.00 Lew Stone and his Orchestra in 'THE MUSIC BOX'.

4.00 'IN BRITAIN NOW'—A National Magazine.

11.15 'RING UP THE CURTAIN'—BBC Theatre Orchestra and Chorus, con-

ducted by Sir Thomas Beecham in excepts from the works of Berlioz.

12.30 'SCIENCE AND EVERYDAY LIFE'—'Our Food Supplies' second of two talks by Dunstan Skilbeck.

7.15 'BBC WELSH ORCHESTRA'—Conductor: Mansel Thomas.

8.15 'CELEBRITY RECITAL'—Aulikki Rautavaara (soprano).

8.45 'OUR KIND OF MUSIC'—Sung by Sam Browne and Carole Carr, with Arthur Young and Mary McLeod at the pianos.

9.10 'HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN'.

9.15 'LET'S MAKE MUSIC'—Billy Ternent and his Orchestra with Eva Benyon, Pat O'Regan, Don Emsley, and the Hedley Ward Trio.

10.00 'RADIO NEWBREEL'.

10.15 'BRITISH CONCERT HALL'—BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA—Conducted and presented by Sir Adrian Boult.

10.45 'SYMPHONY NO. 5 IN D'—Vaughan Williams.

Scenes from Job: A. Masque for Dancing ..... Vaughan Williams.

11.15 'UP THE POLE'—Vernon Bartlett.

11.45 'SPECIAL DISPATCH'.

## Friday, February 25

## GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

10.00 'MEET THE COMMONWEALTH'.

10.30 'TURNER LAYTON'.

11.15 'BBC SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA'—Conductor: Inn Whyte Cyril Preedy

## WINDOW ON THE WORLD

By JOHN ASHWIN

British films with all-British casts are booming again in America. Through the "Window" as it opens on New York this week, can be heard a wave of applause that may well mark the end of the present-day slump in Britain's film industry.

The applause is that of millions of Americans now queuing up to four hours to see films that were "hits" in this country during the war. "In the last six weeks," writes correspondent Geoffrey Barker, "a revolution has been born which will earn millions more dollars for British films."

Of six British pictures shown in New York recently, all were as British as possible, made no concessions at all to American audiences, were in ordinary black-and-white—and had only one American star between them.

What British critics have urged for years is becoming a reality. American audiences, tiring of variety, glitter and technicolour, want films that have quality and feasibility, rather than quantity. "Star" names, and too slight a story. At present, say observers in America, they can only get these films from Britain.

As a result, the order is going out to near-slump studios in Britain—"shoot" British and re-issue as many old British films as possible, even if they date from pre-war days.

There is news of a slump in air traffic—on Dutch air lines.

Because of the Indonesian situation, passenger flights on the Amsterdam-Batavia, and New York—Batavia routes, have been stopped. Passengers flying to Asia are now using American airlines where once they went by Dutch planes. As a result, Holland's largest airline, Royal Dutch Airlines, has had to make good the loss of money—by reducing staff.

Reporting this from Amsterdam, correspondent Max Peters explains that the problem worrying the air-line now is not so much what they will have to do today to economise, but whether they will ever get back the custom they have lost.

The directors believe they will. The pilots of the planes on the routes affected are not so sure. They say that the American airlines even beat Dutch "luxury" in the many extras they offer during the flight. Because of this they believe that one-time "Dutch" passengers may decide to continue to "fly American" in future.

In Mexico City officials report that accidents on Mexico's nationalised railways are becoming so frequent that the public are refusing to travel by rail.

Nationalisation in Mexico, has had the worst possible effect on the railways. Once they were "poor" and money had to be saved by using old rolling stock and track. Now they are in a state of complete bankruptcy and chaos.

In the last few weeks, writes correspondent Cecil Clark, there have been five major accidents—two of them involving the crack Mexico-City to St. Louis express. At first the authorities believed they were—just accidents. Now, however, they suspect Communist elements of the Railway Union.

As a result of these suspicions, the Government is going carefully over the circumstances surrounding all five accidents. So far they have decided that in two cases at least it was sabotage.

Nevertheless their discoveries and plans to take "special precautions" in future have done little to stop the slumping popularity of Mexico's "chaotic" railways. Trains are still running hours late, coaches and track are still dilapidated, and the Mexican public is still choosing to travel by road.

## New Books

### Bernadotte's Missions For Peace

First published in Sweden two days before the author's death, INSTEAD OF ARMS, by Count Bernadotte, describes the tireless efforts of this great humanitarian to alleviate the suffering caused by war.

Elected vice-president of the Swedish Red Cross in the spring of 1943, Count Bernadotte accepted this office with "much gratitude, pleasure and enthusiasm". He worked, during the war, towards better conditions in prisoner-of-war camps and mediated between belligerent nations for the exchange of P.O.W.s and medical personnel. He played an important part in the "fall of the curtain" by accepting the offer of capitulation from Heinrich Himmler.

Though he hated the cruel dictatorship of Nazism, he writes: "I cannot help having a deep sympathy for Germany's unhappy people. They have been found wanting. They have allowed themselves to be lead by ruthless scoundrels. They must drain the cup of suffering. But as the representative of an organisation with the humanitarian spirit of the Red Cross, I must urge that afterwards they be helped and led in other paths, not with hatred and brutality, by those who understand that love for humanity is the strongest of all forces for good. Then and only then, can we hope to see the downfall of the Third Reich followed by a happier scheme of things for a cruelly tried humanity."

But this book, despite its momentous importance historically, is not without an occasional stroke of humour. Recalling a meeting with Field-Marshal Montgomery, Count Bernadotte relates an anecdote from the time of the offensive in Italy: "When he was driving one day on an Italian road, the Field-Marshal wanted to pass a military truck which, in spite of his continued honking, did not move over. Finally Montgomery's driver succeeded in squeezing by the truck and as the English general passed, the truck driver raised himself and saluted with a deep bow, at the same time taking off the top hat he was wearing. Montgomery, who clearly saw the humour of the situation, felt obliged to issue an order prohibiting British Army personnel to wear top hats with their uniforms".

#### Post-War Problems

Post-war problems in Greece, and Turkey are dealt with in detail, and the book ends with Postscript which begins: "I had just finished the last chapters of this book when, one day at the end of May, I received a

#### General Knowledge Answers

1. A foreign Ambassador.
2. At Moscow in 1943 by a conference of Foreign Ministers of the Allied nations.
3. Two in the British Museum, one in Salisbury Cathedral, and one in Lincoln Cathedral.
4. On April 18, 1946.
5. The Cunard-White Star liner Queen Mary, three days, 20 hours, 42 minutes.
6. Kingston upon Hull.
7. A poll-tax called in Sweden a nosotax; it was a penny per nose, or poll.

## FACTS OF LIFE

DOUGLAS KAY

interviews a schoolmistress who has taught them for years without protest from any parent

ALL over Britain parents and educationists are today discussing the knotty problem of how to teach a child the facts of life.

In Maltby, Yorkshire, it has caused a battle-royal between parents and teachers, and recently London's progressive L.C.C. Education Committee spent all afternoon thrashing out the problem.

Meanwhile, down in peaceful Maldenhead, the gentle and soft-voiced Miss K. Phillips, nature-study and biology teacher at the town's County Secondary School, is quietly continuing her Facts-of-Life instruction without any opposition from parents or adverse reactions from pupils.

#### Four Principles

SHE has now given this instruction for more years than she likes to remember—first experimentally, gently feeling for the best way to give this vital information to the ultra-sensitive child mind.

Today, with the experimental stage over, she has on this knowledge to over 100 13-year-old boys and girls every year—and all the parents ever say is "Thank you, Miss Phillips."

How does she do it? She works on four main principles:

1. Never use the word "sex," this having become sordid through ill-use.

2. Let this instruction fall naturally into a long course in biology. Never let it become an "extra-special lesson."

3. Tell the child everything that is normal about human reproduction, including how fertilisation takes place. Answer all normal questions.

4. Stress the wonder of it all, pointing out that behind it lies the masterhand of the Great Creator. Teach that the right use of this power of reproduction brings great happiness; and its misuse nothing but misery.

Miss Phillips starts by giving her 11-year-olds a course in nature study entitled "Plants, Animals, and Ourselves."

This course is planned to pave the way for her vital third-year course. It includes simple lessons on respiration, circulation, and pollination, comparing and contrasting the various functions of the human and animal body with that of familiar plants.

During their third year her pupils, now mostly 13-year-olds, reach the age when Miss Phillips feels they can grasp all the essential facts about human reproduction, including those intimate ones which parents so often find they cannot explain to their own children.

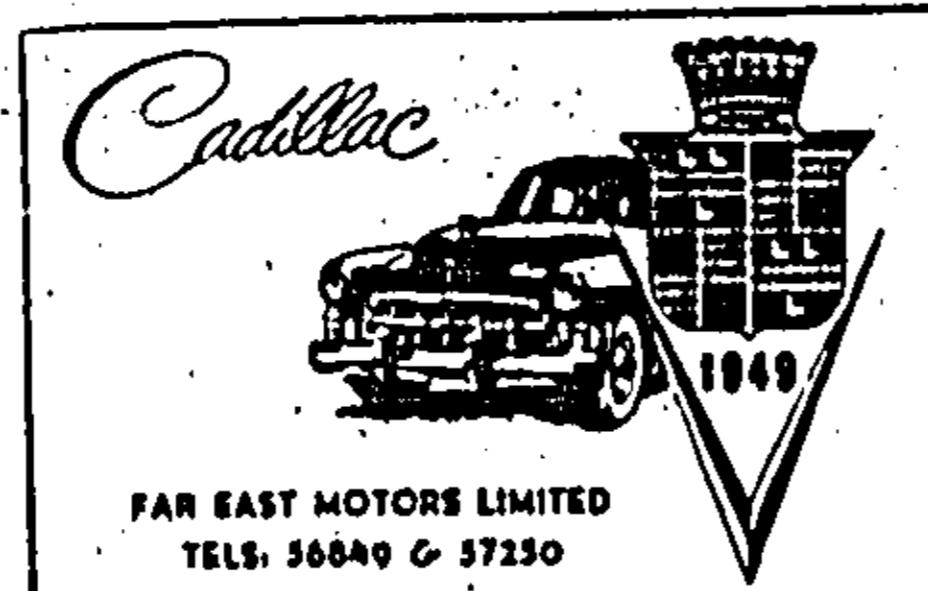
#### Parents Asked

SHE never gives homework on this study, believing that, having embarked on it, she must guide her pupils right through it. She also holds "nature afternoons" for parents, to show them again in a natural way, what she is teaching her children.

She will, perhaps, hold an exhibition in which her pupils will show their parents all they have learnt about frog-life, including how frogs reproduce their species.

Parents are continually thanking her for having relieved them of a duty they shunned tackling. Miss Phillips is naturally gratified. She has given years of thought to this subject. But always she is ready to say "It's really Mother's job."

Her greatest hope is that she is helping to raise a generation of parents who will be able to tell their own children the full facts of life in the same simple way they have learnt them from her.



*Lane Norcott*

Through a Plastic Cup Darkly

Reading about the latest edible mystery to emerge from that vast refuse bin, the Ministry of Food, we suddenly realised what is the standard of food nowadays. If it is to be allowed any merit at all—which is doubtful—then it must taste of something else.

(For this new tinned enigma it is claimed by those who have sampled it professionally that it vaguely resembles lobster; has a faint flavour of crayfish; is a cross between salmon and sardine; and—which we take leave to doubt—is too good for the cat. Our own guess, made from afar, is that it is neither more nor less than tinned vulture, and, in common with all food today, tastes exactly like stewed flan).

It may be asked, Elton, what the citizen of the future will look like if England is to remain permanently a country fed on unrecognisable tinned and frosted beasties—a depressed area from which everything real is promptly exported to pay for everything make-shift, false, plastic, shoddy, and, regrettable.

In our mind's eye we see a stunted, listless little person costing the State a large sum annually to maintain in frail health, sitting in his local Nutritive Centre (a cross between a reformatory and public baths), eating his dreary National Manna (tasting faintly of minced boots), and drinking his horrid Permitted Beverage (tasting strongly of diluted cabbage water), and wondering what on earth Shakespeare meant when he wrote: 'When once our grace we have forgot, nothing goes right.'

On careful consideration we find that we have nothing to add to above, except perhaps to repeat those wise words of the Red Queen: "Faster! Faster!"

Diagnosis

"Police were called, and Miss — was found semi-conscious near her wireless set."—News item. "Women's Hour"?

Scoop

We are proud to announce that Miss Fanny Glad, the only society gossip writer to be on nodding terms with the editor of the *Daily Herald*, has temporarily joined our staff before taking up a lucrative post as a public relations officer in a fashionable Ministry.

Miss Glad, in a brilliant first contribution, writes:

Dropping into one of the more crowded milk bars in Oxford-street yesterday, I saw Maudie Binns, who types for Fulth Ltd., the well-known City ironmongers, partaking of liquid refreshment.

Maudie tells me that her engagement to Ernie Cripps, who is in the linens at Gubbages, is now definitely off, she having found herself a classier beau. Maudie didn't seem to know her new intended's second name, but she intimated that he earns good money in a large garage out Cricklewood way. They plan to go to the pictures together next Sunday.

Among other regulars who were pushing their weight at the bar I recognised Fanny Mouse (in spite of her new hat from modern Modes' bargain basement) and Hilda Snugg (both of Muggridge and Wells Ltd., the cash chemists), who were being treated to strawberry-flavoured shakes by Charlie Noggin, the dressy young manager of Wimbley's Wireless Emporium, Kentish Town.

Everybody seemed to be bearing up well, in spite of the cigarette shortage and the service.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1949.

*Over to you*

NEWS QUIZ

1. A well-known band has arrived in the Colony and will give a series of concerts. Is the band Service or civilian and, if the former, what branch of the Services does it belong to?
2. There was a surprise development during the week in the negotiations for an Atlantic pact. Which country caused the surprise, and what was it?
3. The Foreign Ministers of two countries have been in London during the past week for important talks with Mr. Ernest Bevin, our Foreign Secretary. Who were they?
4. A unit of the British Army stationed in Hong Kong carried out the ceremony of the Trooping of the Colour last week. What unit was it?
5. Which Colonial Governor is now in London "for consultations" with the Secretary of State in connection with a Legislative Council speech which caused a furor?
6. A certain country held a sitting of its Parliament for the first time in 2,000 years last week. Which country was it?
7. The recall of a diplomat was requested last week. Who was he and who requested his recall?

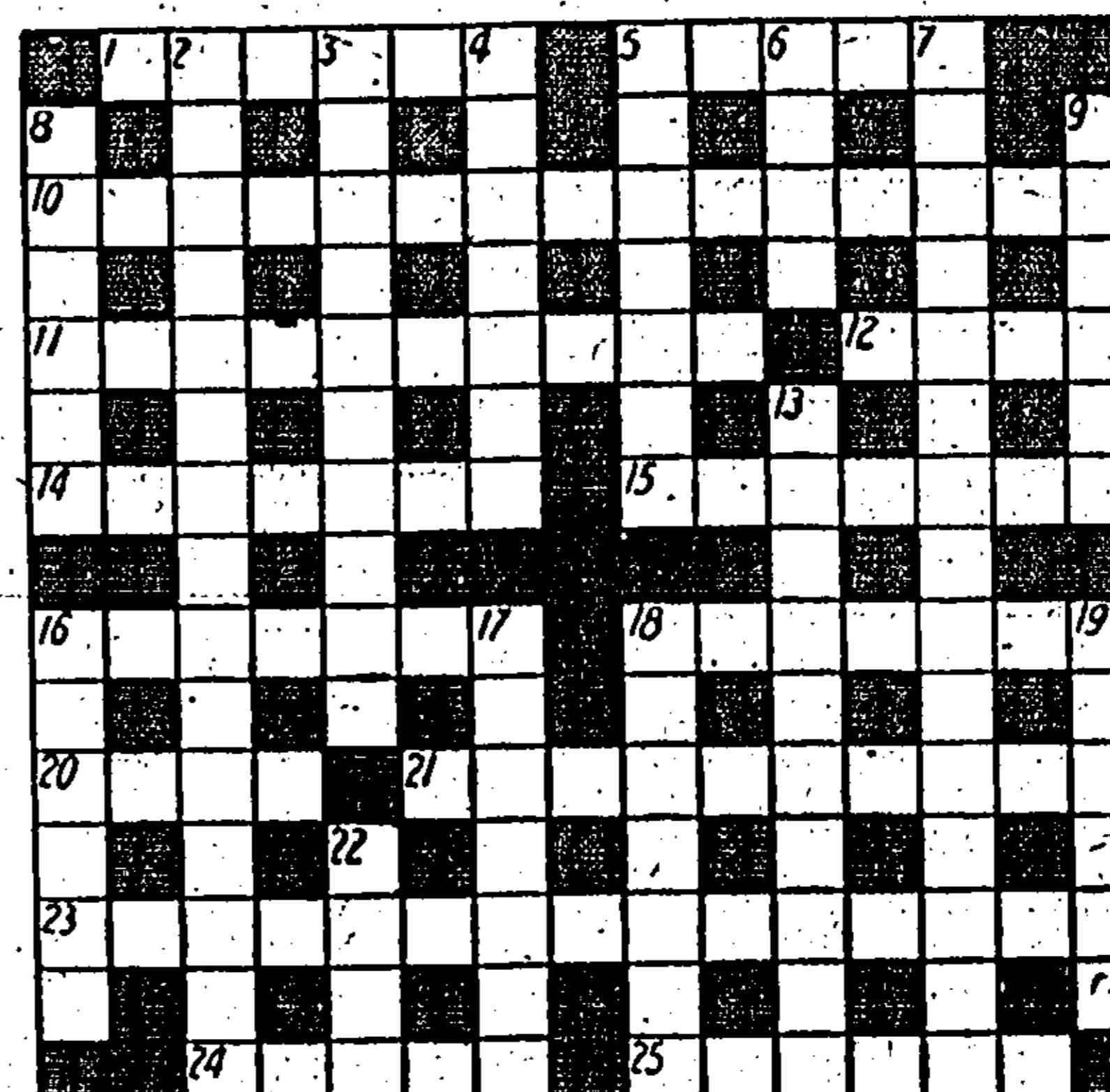
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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. Who comes first in the order of precedence in Britain, a foreign Ambassador or the Archbishop of Canterbury?
2. Where, when and by whom were the foundations of the United Nations officially laid?
3. There are four copies of Magna Carta in existence, with the great seal of King John attached. Where are they kept?
4. The League of Nations is now defunct. When did its last session close?
5. You have often heard of the Blue Riband of the Atlantic—the much-coveted honour of the fastest trans-Atlantic crossing by a ship. What ship holds the Blue Riband?
6. The city of Hull, in Yorkshire, is well known as a port and also for its Soccer team. But 'Hull' is not its correct name. What is its official designation?
7. You know well, probably too well, the saying "paying through the nose." In fact, if you're looking for a flat, that is what you'll have to do to get one. What is the origin of the saying?

(Answers on Page 11)

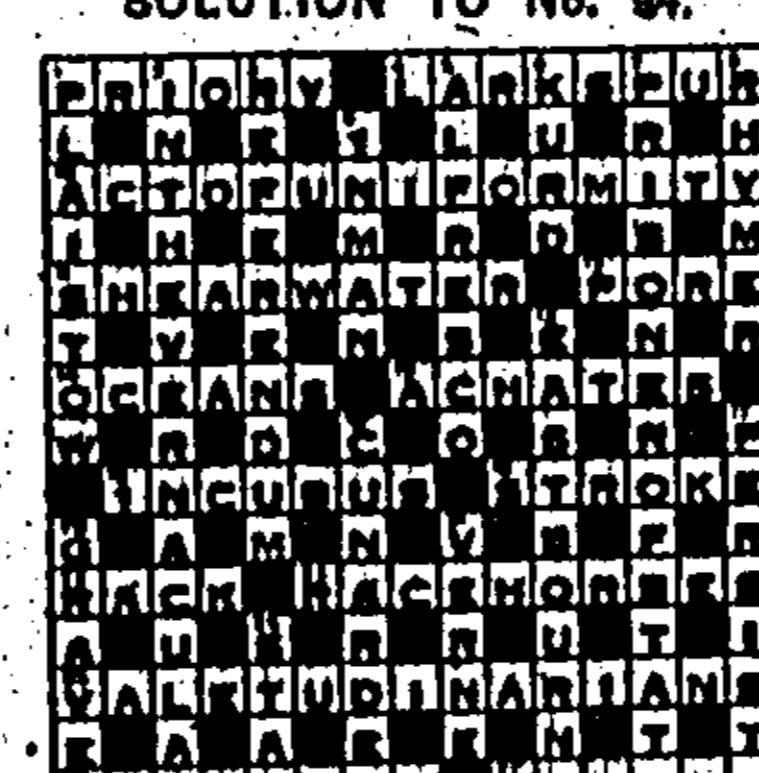
THE SUNDAY HERALD CROSSWORD NO. 95



Across

- 1 Morning customs? (6)
- 5 Strangely enough, toast may be. (5)
- 10 Not an angle of safety for a going concern. (8, 6)
- 11 Is it a fast kind of courtship? (7, 3)
- 12 Thus forward presently. (4)
- 14 Bombardeed, or exploded. (7)
- 15 Letter read in Church. (7)
- 16 It will weaken. (7)
- 20 Obviously strong grade in the film world. (4)

SOLUTION TO NO. 94.



- 21 Has an interest in conversion-schemes. (10)
- 23 Is this juggler a quick calculator? (15)
- 24 Said to be most uncommon when common. (5)
- 25 Another kind of 15. (6)

Down

- 2 Not necessarily Sappers, of course. (6, 9)
- 3 The plate is icy for so distinctive a product. (10)
- 4 Caged or cleaned. (7)
- 5 The tide's up, for a change of argument. (7)
- 6 Some folk must think it worshipful. (4, 6)
- 7 Will not tolerate the elevation of rascals. (4, 2, 3, 6)
- 8 How one regards one's 6. (6)
- 9 One-time Dean appears to have become a Roman Catholic. (6)
- 13 Has a habit of hoarding his words. (4-6)
- 16 Puts on edge. (6)
- 17 How things may be less becoming. (7)
- 18 Draughty things to make, as it were. (7)
- 19 Not an air for a pipe, quite the contrary. (6)
- 22 It is senseless, of course, to treat anyone so. (4)



BRIDGE

A comprehensive view of bidding is obtained by dividing it into three zones: 1, part-score bids at the levels of one and two, 2, game-zone bids at the levels of three, four and sometimes five, and 3, slam-zone bids at the levels of five and more.

A player should succeed in nearly 70 per cent of his part-score contracts and in just over 60 per cent of his game-zone contracts and in 50 per cent of his slam-zone contracts.

It is in game-zone bidding (at the intermediate levels) that the difference between players is most marked. Costly overbidding is more usual in this zone. At a recent congress a new partnership played in four "salts" competitions with the following results: first session bottom place but one, second session fifth place, third session second place, fourth session first place. The remarkable improvement was due to an overhaul of the partnership calling in the intermediate levels and to the suppression of overbidding. The urge to convert a bid of three in a major suit into a game bid (on inadequate values) was overcome. In borderline situations of competitive bidding the urge to bid riskily rather than pass was also overcome.

At the level of three, bidding is already much more dangerous. In almost every rubber the following typical situation arises: East, dealer, Pass. South Pass, West Pass, North, One Heart, East Pass, South Two Clubs, West Two Spades, North holds:

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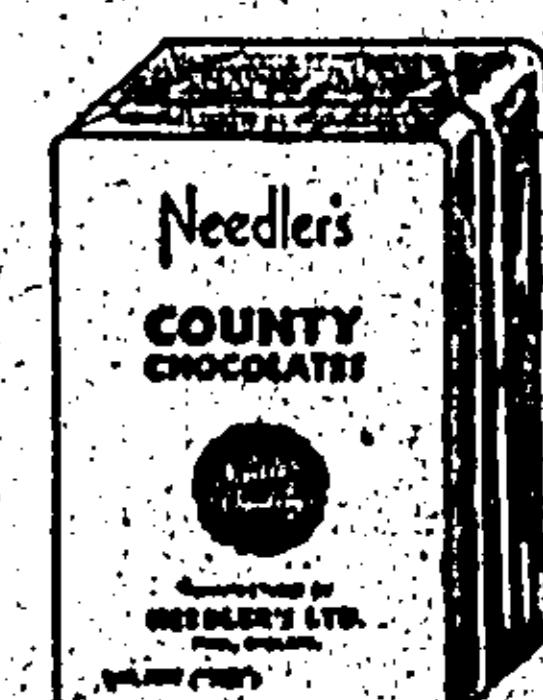
He cannot now bid at a lower level than three, the dangerous level. If he bids Three Hearts, he is down one (vulnerable); if he passes, West is down two (not vulnerable). The swing is 200 points. How many would refrain from rebidding Hearts because of the now dangerous level?

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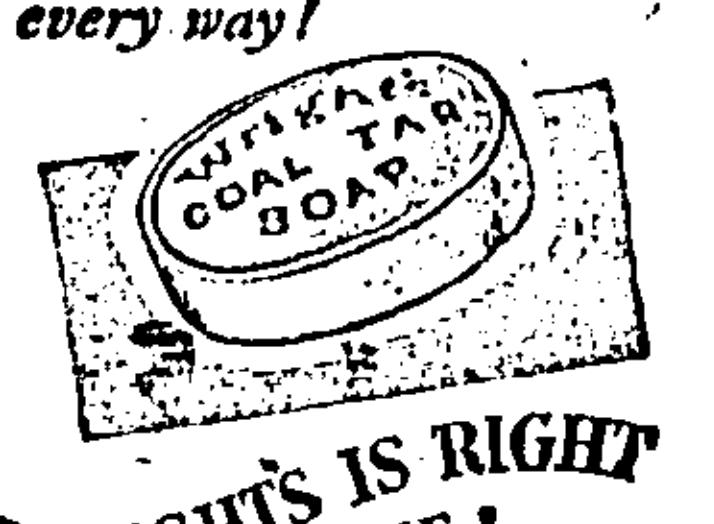
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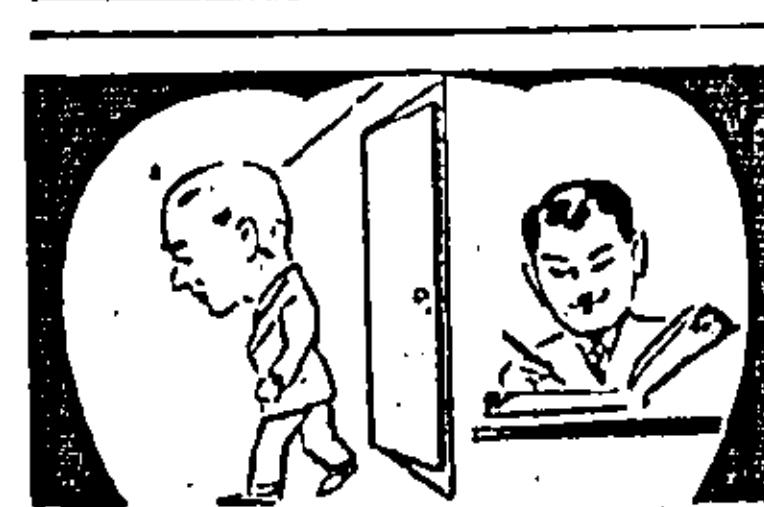
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There is a Jewish dream of which a five-mile-long stretch of pot-holed road, sand toasting across it like surf over a beach, its verges now with Arab Legion mines, is the inspiration. A dream of a thriving Jewish industrial community in Southern Palestine, of oil refineries, and copper mines, looming over the desert, surrounded by workers' suburbs set amid parks and shining concrete public buildings; of ruler straight wide highways, noisy with the traffic of trucks piled high with chrome, magnesium, and sulphur; of a thriving workshop of the Middle East absorbing the labour of thousands upon thousands of Jewish immigrants from Europe.

A dream which is imperilling the peace of the Mediterranean Basin.

This dream may become a reality if the self-proclaimed State of Israel wins by force of arms or is awarded by the United Nations the sparsely-peopled sandy wilderness known as the Negev, the Southern frontier of which is a five-mile-long stretch of shell-sattered beach running down to the blue waters of the Gulf of Akaba, and running South to the Red Sea.

## Rich in Hidden Wealth

Raw materials are available. The Negev is rich in hidden wealth. Under the sand dunes and rocky scrub-littered dried-up water courses is oil, copper, and a whole range of minerals which could support a chemical industry serving aviation, agriculture, and light manufacturing.

Control of the Negev also means control of the fantastically mineral resources of the Dead Sea, in the sluggish waters of which are dissolved 40,000,000 tons of potash, bromide salts and phosphates.

## IT ALL DEPENDS ON EGYPT

By R. C. NOBLE

The Prime Minister of Egypt, Ibrahim Abd el-Hakim Pasha, was standing at the window of his study looking out on Cairo's descriptively quiet streets, where, a few days before, his predecessor, Nokrashi Pasha, had fallen to an assassin's gun.

He turned from the window according to my informant, and said to his writer, Russell Pasha, former British Chief of Egyptian Police: "His death would never have happened if you would still been head of the police. I wish you were back."

The Prime Minister's comment goes to the heart of the Egyptian problem. If only the British could have stayed—but the last half-century of Egypt's politics had made it impossible for them to stay.

## Bitterness

Today the British military forces who guard the Suez Canal are cooped up in a narrow strip of desert along the canal's bank. They are there under the terms of the 1936 Anglo-Egyptian Treaty; they are also there without Egyptian goodwill.

Between Britain and Egypt stands all the bitterness of a treaty which they have failed to renew. The negotiations, designed to bring a new spirit of "equal partnership" into the treaty, broke down because the Egyptian leaders dared not compromise on their country's two "irreducible" demands—complete evacuation by British troops and the union of Sudan and Egypt under the latter's crown.

By the time the talks were broken off, it mattered little whether the demands were reasonable or not.

Months of premature revelation of accurate and inaccurate news of the negotiations in the Cairo Press had raised popular feeling to a pitch which the Egyptian delegation, despite strong police action against scattered demonstrations, found it impossible to ignore. Patient bargaining in such an atmosphere was no longer feasible; since then the unrevived treaty had remained the constant "sore thumb" of Egyptian politics. Whatever problem comes up in the Cairo Parliament, its discussion will be round sooner or later to its connection, real or fancied, with Anglo-Egyptian relations.

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## Greece's Civil War Reaches Critical Stage

By Keith Butler

Experts say that the entire world could be supplied with oil from the Dead Sea area for "thousands of years. Labour is available, too. By the end of 1949 the Israeli Government hopes to rule over a population of over a million—an increase of 400,000 over the Jewish population under the British mandate terminated last year.

Immigrants are pouring into Israel from European D.P. camps at the rate of 30,000 monthly. All that is not there yet—only a stretch of beach and the road around the head of the Gulf of Akaba and the dock facilities in Eilat.

## Access to Sea

And access to the Red Sea the Jews must have. Ports on the Mediterranean they already have in plenty. But between the Mediterranean and their potential markets in South Africa, India, the Far East, and the Pacific is the Egyptian-dominated Suez Canal.

Hitherto fees and Egyptian enmity for generations perhaps stand between them and realisation of their dream. If shipping under the blue-and-white striped flag of Israel has to push West the whole length of the Mediterranean, and then around Africa, the dream dims in the brighter light of financial and marketing realities.

Summing up, possession of the Palestinian side of the Akaba shore offers the Jews an opportunity of self-supporting industrial economy, and the opportunity of breaking away from the "dollar serfdom" of an almost entirely agricultural community.

At best, a dead-end job at £3 to £10 a month in a country where the ordinary amenities of a civilised life are expensive.

In his disgust at this situation he falls an easy victim to such movements as the Moslem Brotherhood which, like Hitler's Brown Shirts, is building up an army of hungry slogan-drunk fanatics, and which has grown to a Frankenstein monster in Egyptian political life.

## Underpaid

At appropriate moments the student is led into the streets to battle with another class of victims of modern Egypt—the underpaid peasant policeman, struggling to live on £6 a month. Neither side gets anything out of the struggle.

So long as Egyptian politics continue to be influenced by the men who preach anti-foreign feelings, as the gauches of Arab life, progress by new Anglo-Egyptian relationship is impossible.

It is to be hoped that the fiasco of the Palestine war will result in a more realistic mood in Cairo, and that the inability of the Arab forces to beat the Jews will cause the Egyptians to ask themselves what will happen if they have to face a stronger enemy without Western Allies.

Once that question is asked, there is hope that a new basis for friendly relations between the countries promised by the British decision to withdraw her forces two years ago will be found. Then, and only then, Egypt can turn her attention to her real problems—the graft in public life, the irresponsibility of her politics and the rehabilitation of what should be the backbone of sound administration—her police force.

In fact, whether there is going to be an Israel at all may depend on an Akaba bypass to the Suez Canal. It is an opportunity the Jews do not intend to relinquish easily. But the road around the Gulf of Akaba also runs through Egyptian and Transjordan territory, and the seizure of power in the revolution of December 1944.

Last year saw a series of victories by the Greek Army — at Konitsa, in Roumeli, Grammos, Mouriana, Souli, Vitsi, Greek politicians and even some American circles prophesied the imminent end of the guerrilla war. But the Greek Army's hard and well fought victories, won at the cost of heavy casualties, did not eliminate the enemy and did not end the guerrilla war which is endemic in the country's moral, social and material map.

Sources like a cancer.

Each time as the Greek Army's pincers were about to close on the main bulk of Markos' forces, the guerrillas slipped out of the closing trap over the Northern frontiers into one of Greece's Russian satellite States, where the Greek Army could not follow. Or they just melted away in the labyrinth of Greek mountains. But always they escaped and lived to fight another day.

Since the recognised start of the guerrilla war in September, 1940, until last December, the number of guerrillas estimated killed (without counting those wounded, captured or surrendered to the Greek Army) is reckoned by the Greek General Staff at about 35,000. Official Greek Army casualties for the same period in officers and men are 6,100 killed, 13,486 wounded. Mines, sown by the guerrillas in thousands, took a heavy toll of these.

## Organised System

The present first line fighting strength of the guerrillas is reckoned at about 23,000. If you include all the auxiliary organisations, helping the guerrillas with information, arms, supplies, shelter, money and recruits, all in an organised system, and most of it probably in the hands of the guerrillas, the total strength of the guerrillas is reckoned by the Greek General Staff at about 70,000—100,000. The American Military Mission puts it at nearer 150,000.

Against this the Greek Army of present musters 197,000 total, including the National Guard trained and armed only for garrison duties. But the Greek Army's offensive fighting strength is a fraction of this, when you subtract the supply and maintenance formations, the staff elements and other non-fighting sections.

In a modern army, organised like the Greek one on British and American lines, the proportion of first line troops to auxiliary personnel is reckoned usually at about 40%. And of this unusual type of warfare even more troops are taken from the first line fighting strength through the necessity of guarding communications, bridges, roads and railways, public utilities, water supplies, power stations, etc., from guerrilla sabotage attempts.

Even the peasants need protection while working in the fields to dislodge all normal civil life, to destroy all public buildings and utilities; to destroy all industrial plants and render the population unemployed, destitute and a burden to the bankrupt State; to decimate the populations of the towns and villages from the first line fighting strength through the necessity of guarding communications, bridges, roads and railways, public utilities, water supplies, power stations, etc., from guerrilla raids accompanied by destruction, looting and forcible recruiting of men and women aged from 14 to 40.

### Other Jobs Than Fighting

The Army has many more jobs than finding, pinning down and destroying Markos' guerrilla divisions in the mountains. And just think how many policemen are needed to catch one thief in normal life.

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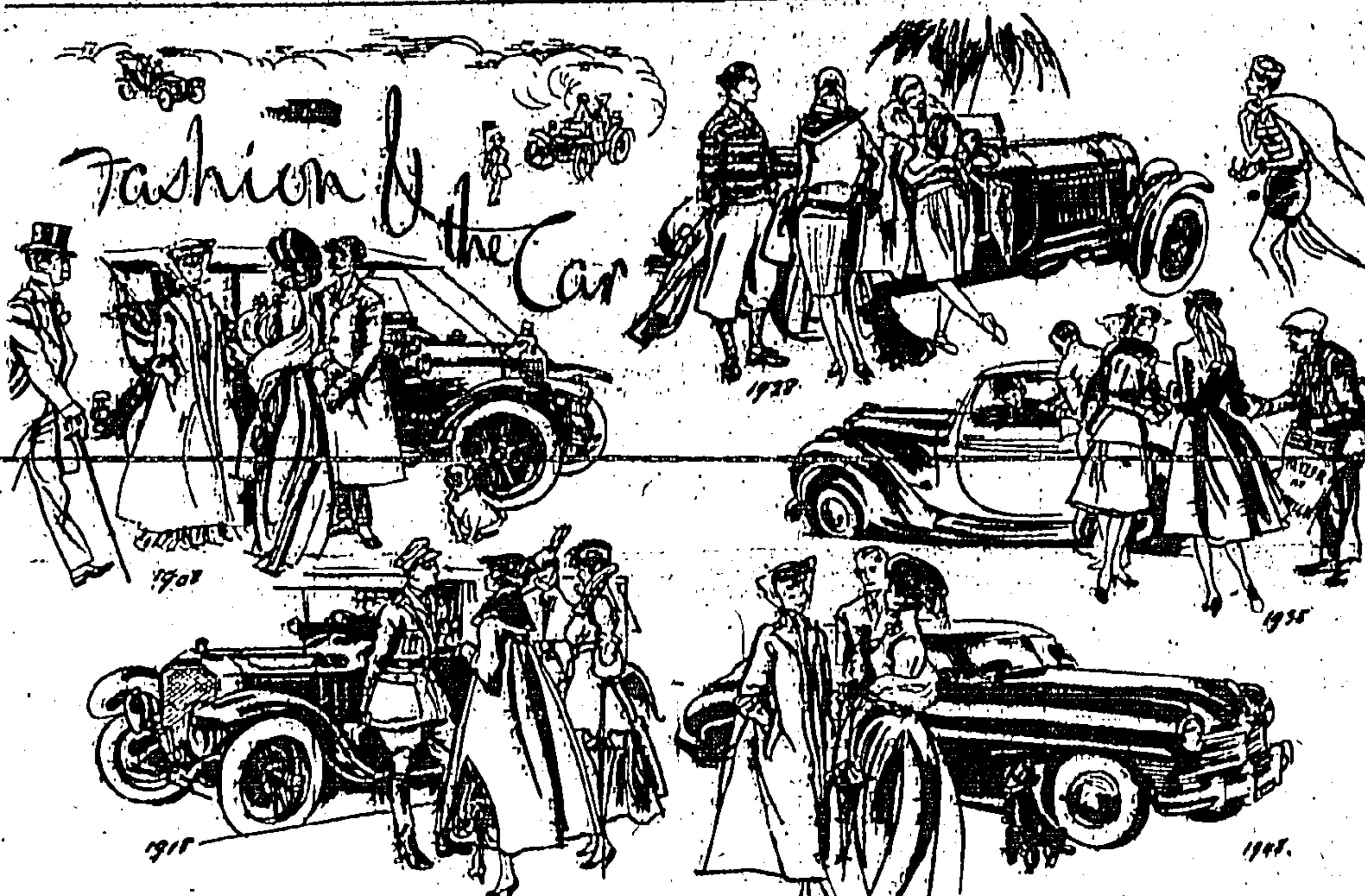
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## BETWEEN OURSELVES



### Our Temple Need Of Comfort

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I hate the thought that I am so sorry for myself. I know I am no worse off than thousands of others, but I am becoming bitter and cynical. I know I shall live several months yet, and I want to make something good of myself. I cannot turn to religion. I want to, but I never feel any comfort or help, never feel any presence when I pray. I feel lost and alone, and yet cannot talk about it to my family or it would upset them.

How can I find peace of mind? I should be so grateful if you could help me—DEBORAH.

I have not put your letter here in order to attempt an answer here. I couldn't possibly do so in so short a space, so I am sending you a personal reply to the hospital.

Why, then, is your letter here? faith in the power of thought. I know my readers. I know that thousands of them reading your letter this morning, will take you into, and keep you in, their thoughts and in their prayers.

I am the hon. secretary of a committee of ladies. A little unpleasantness arose which caused the chairman to leave the chair without having closed the meeting.

Am I right in thinking the meeting was void, not having been completed and closed by the same lady?

Should I record the minutes or even that a meeting took place at all?—SECRETARY.

Of course your chairman should have adjourned or closed the meeting before stepping down. But any business passed with the chairman in command remains valid and should be recorded in the minutes. These should end with the statement "at this point the chairman left the chair."

If another member was voted to the chair to complete the meeting the whole meeting is valid and should be minutes.

Finding myself becoming very snappy with my husband when annoyed with him, I made up my mind to hold my tongue and say nothing about it. It does avoid rows, but it is making me feel bitter and resentful. Is it really in the end better to have it out in a row and have done with it?—M. M.

Over trifling annoyances, arising more from your being edgy

than yourself than from his provocations, then holding your tongue

is the thing—and you are lucky to be able to do it.

But if he does give you good cause for resentment, have it out. Keeping silent you are dosing with it emotionally. Find words to express it clearly and word it to the level of reason you can deal with it reasonably.

Also make up your mind to speak for the sake of clearing up a misunderstanding—not merely to let off steam—but you're not so likely to "row" it off.

My husband is a keen golfer, but unfortunately, his partners have wives who issue me invitations to tea, which I hope to accept.

What excuse can I give my husband? Don't suggest play too. I have more than enough to do as a housewife and partner.

—FLORA.

Why bother with excuses? Isn't the truth more courteous and frank for both husband and the kind and friendly wives?

### EVENING SOPHISTICATION

Thirty years ago no debutante would have been permitted to wear an evening dress which was not demure, girlish and even to contemporary eyes—somewhat dull.

The debutante of 1949, however, makes her own decisions to a great extent in regard to her clothes, and she is likely to choose evening dresses which have, at any rate, some touch of sophistication about them. Usually, of course, she has enough dress sense to know that the lighter the fabric the more becoming it is to her and that a rich, heavy material must be in a delicate colour if her youthful good looks are not to be swamped by its magnificence.

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## JACQUES FATH'S NEW WOMAN

WITH all the excitement of a Hollywood film premiere, Paris designer Jacques Fath launched his New Woman at midnight.

Fath has concentrated on the Turned Down Look. As mannequins strolled through his glittering salon, stars of the Continental stage and screen clapped . . . and clapped again.

Fath's New Woman—he has visualized a round back, a narrow bust and the shoulders bent forward as in perpetual modesty.

The silhouette is pushed forward as if blown by a strong wind. Pointers from his midnight collection:

Pastry-horn collars with a V-shaped cut-out made by box pleats.

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## MATURE FIGURE STYLES

By Barbara E. Scott, Fisher

"Where are the frumpy clothes women used to accept as a kind of panacea for having to cope with anything over size 20?" I asked Mme Eta, whose distinguished collections have been working wonders with the mature silhouette for 25 years.

"Oh, those," the designer replied vaguely, "those clothes that used to flourish in women's departments where you were sent as if you were going into exile? I have to think back to remember them."

She laughed. "They are pleasant forget, and you find them far less frequently today."

"Occasionally, clothes of this type crop up on the reduced racks, but the time will come when they are no longer even made. They simply do not belong in the same world with adult women whom I like to define as people who are grown up and glad of it."

## Some Beneficial Factors

"Size has nothing to do with an effective appearance," she said emphatically.

"There is no difference between fashion-who women, whether they wear size 10 or size 40. The secret lies in detail and in the knowledgeable art of dressing which a woman makes her own. Basically a woman must know herself. This requires intelligence and patience. Sometimes the kind of person you are has a way of hiding you, and often it remains undefined."

"A haphazard approach to affairs in general reveals itself all too frequently in clothes of the same feather. Clothes are the indelible finger prints of character. When your clothes show to the line of clear definition, when you have them well in hand, they speak for you, not against you, and your wear them with genuine satisfaction."

## Can't Give Many Rules

"There are not many rules one can give," Mme Eta said thoughtfully. "When I started designing for women, I was young and slim—the very opposite of the women for whom I designed. Slowly I have become one of the women I have always liked to dress. My hair begins to gray, my figure is fuller. I have learned many things in these 25 years."

Today we do not have the large women we had when I first began my work in this country. Women take pride in their appearance. Age has nothing to do with clothes. You can erase age as a factor in your appearance. Never eat to it. Buy fewer clothes and better ones."

"Good clothes are most often casual—never frilly. You can wear this kind of well-cut clothes for years. The longer they last, the better they look. Personally I always enjoy my clothes better the second season than when I first wear them."

It is wise of a woman to avoid that "sawed-in-two" look occasioned by a wayward blouse," Mme Eta advises. The best policy is to have your blouse the same colour as your suit, she says. If some thing tells you that you must have a more flattering colour next to your face, let this be in the nature of an accessory. If you must have it, but maintain your all-in-one appearance, if you must—keep your jacket closed.

She also advises mature women to avoid stiff fabrics such as satins, brocades, and heavy satins except for formal gowns. They tend to amplify the figure too generously. If you find it advisable to use these types of fabric for daytime clothes, see that they are combined with softer, more clinging materials such as crepe, chiffon, or sheer wool, she says.

Because women find themselves occupied with many projects and have little time to waste, Mme Eta recommends two-piece dresses. "I never anything that is either complicated to get into or to take off," she says.

## Avoid Extremes, Be Reasonable

"Ribbons and lace to set off the faces of pretty girls, sweethearts and wives," says the old song. And that, according to Mme Eta, is just about what women are for, to set you off. "Never go to extremes," who counseled. "If you decide to cut your hair, don't wear it magnificently short. Be reasonable."

"One of the difficulties women often meet in themselves is 'getting in a rut.' The same old colours, the same type of hats, the inevitable practical fabric. There are such interesting new fabrics being developed."

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## AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

By VICTOR MAMAK

Illustrations by G. D. COOPER

"Dear Mr. Mamak,  
My nose is unattractive, as it is a bit too wide. What shall I do? I am very self-conscious about it. My other features, especially my mouth, are rather nice." J.M.W.

You can somewhat minimise your 'too-wide' nose by using a dark powder along its sides and a lighter one down the centre. You are self-conscious about your nose because you think that everyone who looks at you is actually looking at it. So, why not do something to draw people's attention to your other features, and thus put your nose in obcurity? In other words, concentrate your best feature.

You say you have a cute mouth. So, play up to it. Call attention to it by an unusual but

becoming shade of lipstick, applied in a masterly manner.

If your eyes are not good, feature dramatise their beauty with eye-shadow and mascara. By 'dramatising' I do not mean that you should make them look theatrical—that would be disastrous. Use your make-up sparingly and without any trace of artificiality. All make-up should be kept as natural as possible.

An attractive mouth and eyes will cause the beholder to pay less attention to a nose which is not so attractive.

If you have any beauty problems, send them in to Victor Mamak" b/o "Sunday Herald" and they will be answered in these columns.

Nothing can do with the charm of white fur for evening. This 'Fox' stole from Molho is 'fashionable, rich and long' is called 'a Blanket Molho' after some evening dresses.

## Imaginative Treatment Of Fine Woollens

By Victoria Chappelle

The importance of woollen fabrics in the collections shown by the leading London fashion houses, couture and wholesale alike, needs no comment. In all of them some of the finest British products, from the mills of Yorkshire, Scotland and the West Country, can be seen. Those buyers who had no opportunity of seeing these collections will be able to examine the new woollens at the 1940 British Industries Fair.

The clothes illustrated here will not necessarily be seen at the B.I.F., since they are already available to buyers, but they show how the fabrics displayed will look when made up.

For instance, 'Woolly' dresses are good examples of how the new jerseys are handled by first-class designers. There is a combination of striped jersey—white and lavender, on a brown ground—with plain brown; and how the bodice is given all the new fashion points—below-elbow sleeves with wide turn-up cuffs, dolman sleeves, high collar and wide belt. The pinfore dress sketched with its popular teen ages has a plunging neckline with a rollover important collar.

Another jersey dress from the same firm illustrates how effective this fabric can be when made up, even on the plainest possible lines; in this case with a top almost like a sweater and only an unusual zig-zag pleating at waist as a trimming.

## Cobweb Effect

A hand-knitted Annie Blatt model in alternate bands of grey and purple, is in an exquisitely fine woollen yarn. This is made in Scotland, and the effect is almost like that of a cobweb or a cobweb, however, mounted on 'tulle' and supported by a taffeta slip worn beneath. Anyone who has seen a Scottish 'moor' in the late afternoon on an 'early' autumn day will recognise the inspiration of the grey and purple colour scheme, for the hues seem to fade into one another.

The 'jerkin-cum-sweater' and the twin sets also give some idea of the imaginative handling of even the plainest cardigans and sweaters designed by Britain's leading firms. For instance, the Dorville 'hug-me-tight' in fluffy angora—a garment which combines all the practicality of a sweater with the unusual lines of a jerkin. A light as a feather, it is made in lovely colours and is probably more easily worn beneath a jacket than the ordinary cardigan.

Then again, the Annie Blatt twin-set shows how manufacturers are appealing to feminine taste. In

the hard-wearing qualities of wool are stressed in the collections of 'houses' in Britain which specialise in sweaters and cardigans.

Top is a Dorville 'hug-me-tight' in fluffy angora—a garment which combines the practicality of a sweater with the unusual appearance of a jerkin. Below is the sweater belonging to this set—grey on one side, royal blue on the other—which can be worn with the grey or the blue in front as the wearer feels inclined.

Royal blue and grey, the jersey, like the cardigan, is blue on one side and grey on the other. The owner need only wear it back to front, so to speak, to give the impression of quite another garment.

The British Industries Fair takes place simultaneously in London and Birmingham from May 2 to May 13. The important textile and clothing display will be staged on the ground floor of the huge exhibition hall at Earls Court, London.

## Vogue For White Furs

The evening wrap has always been important, if only because it serves to show off the dress worn beneath to better advantage. Today the fur cap or coat holds the centre of the picture in London, partly for its elegance and partly because it is an excellent frame for the face.

At a time when women have chosen to return to the youthful short hair style, cut to outline the head, the new evening vogue for white fur muffly caps or fox, is probably not surprising. A white wrap of this kind provides a better background for a beautifully dressed head than fur in a dark shade, however luxurious and gaudy they may be. Moreover the working of the fur itself is more obvious to the eye and therefore less greater importance and beauty to the garment.

In the illustration Molho shows one of his magnificent fox furs, rich and luxuriously long, which can be rolled round the arm and neck aold-fashion so that a woman can wear it in a way most suitable to her own individuality.

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# BUSINESSMEN DODGING MILLIONS IN TAXES?

Boston, February 18. A Senate sub-committee, reporting on a three-month investigation of Textron Incorporated, of New York, alleged today that American businessmen are dodging millions of dollars in taxes each year by setting up supposedly charitable trusts.

The sub-committee chairman, Senator Charles W. Tobey, who acknowledged that the device seems legal under present laws, demanded immediate legislation to block loopholes.

## London Stock Exchange

London, February 18. Dollar stocks on the London Stock Exchange today responded to Wall Street improvement and registered gains up to one and a half points.

The market, in most other sections of the market, was quiet, firm. Business transactions were little more than the usual weekend operations.

Iron and steel had many small gains and colliery shares with coke interests were particularly wanted. An earlier loss in tobacco stocks was reversed in the class. Imperial Chemical Industries were again featured with a share rise but profit-taking resulted in a fall of several points in Cable and Wireless stocks.

Government securities were featured and mainly steady.

The proposed loan by the Burmese Government to the oil industry resulted in an advance in Burmese Oil shares. Other oils were steady but idle.

Among foreigners, Japanese issues were fractionally harder and there was some improvement in Brazilian utilities. South African gold mines were relatively firm on demand for Free State and dividend payers.

**REVENUES:** British Consols, 2 1/2%; 1/1-3/16 Conversion Loan, 3 7/8%; 1961 107-3/16 Funding Loan, 4%; 1960/60 114% War Loan, 3 1/2%; 1962 105-15/16 War Loan, 3%; 1963 106% Victory Bond, 4%; 1964 110%

**INDUSTRIALS:** British American Tobacco (of B. & I. & Ireland) 6-1/2%; 5-1/2/32 Imperial Chemical Indust. ord 4/9 Imperial Tobacco Co. (of G.H. & Ireland) 5-1/2%; 5-31/32

**TEA SHARES:** Asian Consolidated Tea 29/4 Asian Frontier Tea 14/4 Asian Tea Co. Company 22/4 Doo Teah Company 20/4 P. of India & Ceylon Tea Co. 17/4 Imperial Tea Company 26/4

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**FOREIGN BONDS:** German Loan (Dawes) 7%; Japanese 6%; 1924/25 2%; 1925/26 2%; 1926/27 2%; 1927/28 2%; 1928/29 2%; 1929/30 2%; 1930/31 2%; 1931/32 2%; 1932/33 2%; 1933/34 2%; 1934/35 2%; 1935/36 2%; 1936/37 2%; 1937/38 2%; 1938/39 2%; 1939/40 2%; 1940/41 2%; 1941/42 2%; 1942/43 2%; 1943/44 2%; 1944/45 2%; 1945/46 2%; 1946/47 2%; 1947/48 2%; 1948/49 2%; 1949/50 2%; 1950/51 2%; 1951/52 2%; 1952/53 2%; 1953/54 2%; 1954/55 2%; 1955/56 2%; 1956/57 2%; 1957/58 2%; 1958/59 2%; 1959/60 2%; 1960/61 2%; 1961/62 2%; 1962/63 2%; 1963/64 2%; 1964/65 2%; 1965/66 2%; 1966/67 2%; 1967/68 2%; 1968/69 2%; 1969/70 2%; 1970/71 2%; 1971/72 2%; 1972/73 2%; 1973/74 2%; 1974/75 2%; 1975/76 2%; 1976/77 2%; 1977/78 2%; 1978/79 2%; 1979/80 2%; 1980/81 2%; 1981/82 2%; 1982/83 2%; 1983/84 2%; 1984/85 2%; 1985/86 2%; 1986/87 2%; 1987/88 2%; 1988/89 2%; 1989/90 2%; 1990/91 2%; 1991/92 2%; 1992/93 2%; 1993/94 2%; 1994/95 2%; 1995/96 2%; 1996/97 2%; 1997/98 2%; 1998/99 2%; 1999/2000 2%; 2000/2001 2%; 2001/2002 2%; 2002/2003 2%; 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"SHENKING"	Shanghai	4 p.m. 21st Feb.
"TENGTEH"	Singapore, Macassar, & Batavia	4 p.m. 21st Feb.
"TSINAN"	Swatow	8 p.m. 21st Feb.
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"FLYING CLIPPER"	New York	Manila, Kuching, Singapore, Colombo, Bombay, Karachi, Aden, Suez, Alexandria, Genoa
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STEAMSHIP DIVISION

**Animals Travel By BOAC**

Animals are now being transported from place to place by air:

British Overseas Aviation Corporation pilots who arrived here yesterday said that BOAC planes have been carrying monkeys down India, live mink from Canada and chicks from Malta to the United Kingdom.

Animals, travellers by BOAC last week included five who were valued at about \$16,000, from Southampton to Pakistan. From Canada BOAC took 33 live mink and 600 monkeys from India to England.

Plans have been made to fly some 6,000 green Rhesus monkeys from India to the United States via Britain this year.

Thousands of apes and monkeys have already been flown from the East for zoos in Britain and for transportation to Europe and America.

Recent arrivals in the United Kingdom by BOAC included blue-ringed orang-outangs and red-faced stump-tailed monkeys.

Birds flown by BOAC included peacocks, racket-tailed drongos, paradise fly-catchers, Chinese Mandarin ducks, pheasants, minivets, mynah-bulbs and black swans.

Other animals flown to London were tigers, leopards, panthers, bears, fishing and civet cats, squirrels, hyenas, jackals, crocodiles, mice, deer, and Chinese monitor lizards.

British animal "emigrants" included pigeons to South Africa, pheasants to Kenya, golden hamsters to India, day-old chicks to Malta and live dogs to many destinations.

**Concert To Be Held On Friday**

The Sino-British Orchestra will give a concert on Friday, at 8.30 p.m. at St. Stephen's Girls' College, Lyttleton Road. The orchestra will be under the direction of Dr. S.M. Bard.

For the convenience of music-lovers in Kowloon, Friday's concert will be repeated on the following night at the European YMCA, at 6.30 p.m.

Reservations for Friday's concert may be made at Moutree's, Chater Road, and for Saturday's concert at Moutree's and the YMCA.

At both concerts, the programme will be the same. The main work will be the "Concerto Grossso" in G Minor—the "Christmas" Concerto—by the 17th century master, Corelli. It is one of the finest examples of old Italian music. Other works which the Orchestra will play are: Mendelssohn's "Fingal's Cave" ("The Hebrides"), Overture, Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody No. 14, Brahms' Hungarian Dance No. 5, and a march by Meyerbeer.

A recent arrival from England, Mr. Stanley King, will play violin solos, with Dr. Bard accompanying at the piano. Mr. King was formerly a member of the Croydon Symphony Orchestra.

Guest artists at the concerts will be Mr. Richard Lin. Mr. Lin is a member of the talented Lin family of young musicians. He received his voice training from Madame Bobitchev at the National Conservatory of Music, Shanghai.

Mr. Lin will sing a group of songs by Franz Schubert, in addition three Chinese songs. His accompanist will be Mrs. Anna Lin, a graduate of the Shanghai National Conservatory of Music, who studied under Professor Lazaroff.

Another feature of the games during the week was the draw for the various events of the Colony championships.

After a great deal of soliciting, the minimum number of entries for the Senior events was finally reached.

P.M. Hooi has teamed up with C.K. Lee in the Open Doubles, but has not entered for the other events.

**TOC H CONCERT**

A concert of recorded music will be presented at Talbot House, (Toc H), 50 Macdonald Road, at 8.30 p.m. today.

The programme, which will be of works by Beethoven, includes Overture "Coriolan," Concerto in G major, No. 4 for piano and orchestra; Scherzo from "Piano in F major and Symphony in F major," No. 5; the "Pastoral."

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**Becces XI Lose To Schoolboys**

In a friendly cricket match at King's Park yesterday, clubs from Recreio, lost to the King George V Schoolboys by 20 runs.

Kocidaro opened the innings for King George V School and chalked up 24 runs, the highest score of the match, before he was caught by Gutierrez. Bottomley contributed another 10 runs and then he, too, succumbed to Gutierrez. The schoolboys were all out for 87.

The latter proved as good in bowling as in batting. Nicholson claimed three wickets for as many runs.

KING GEORGE V SCHOOL

B. Dhabher, Alves

M. Kocidaro, c. b. Gutierrez

D. Bottomley, c. b. Gutierrez

R. H. Stevens, b. Gutierrez

R. McAulay, Alves

M. Nicholson, run out

M. Salter, b. Alves

I. Nicholson, c. b. Yvanovich

K. Waller, run out

D. Dunn, b.

# Recreio XI. Beat Optimists By 22 Runs

## Scorpions Beat IRC, CCC Bow To Army

A brilliant 59 by G. N. Gosano, followed by inspired bowling on the part of A. P. Pereira and Dr. E. L. Gosano, enabled Club do Recreio to beat HKCC "Optimists" by 22 runs in a First League Cricket match at Chater Road yesterday.

At Sookunpoo, HKCC "Scorpions" atoned for the defeat of the "Optimists" by overwhelming a strong Indian Recreation Club XI, whom they beat by five wickets in a game featured by a brilliant bowling from Frank Howarth who took six wickets for 30 runs.

Army, who were at home to Craigengower Cricket Club at Sookunpoo, had no difficulty in beating the visitors by 92 runs. Stepto played havoc with the CCC batsmen, seven of whom were dismissed for only 29 runs.

Royal Navy, who were the guests of Hong Kong University at Pokfulam, put up a very poor show against their hosts and were defeated by 20 runs, after dismissing the Undergraduates for 110.

The First League match between Kowloon Cricket Club and RAF at Kai Tak was not played. It is understood that this game has been postponed until Saturday, March 19.

### "Optimists"—Recreio

A brilliant 59 by G. N. Gosano and inspired bowling by A. P. Pereira and Dr. E. L. Gosano, enabled Recreio to beat HKCC "Optimists" by 22 runs in a First League cricket match at Chater Road.

Sent in to bat after losing the toss, Recreio lost three wickets in quick succession with only 27 runs on the board.

G. N. Gosano and E. M. L. Soares were then associated in a partnership which brought the total to 70, before Soares was beaten by a "yorker".

After being dismissed at short-leg for an easy catch in his 20's, Gosano went on to reach 50 in 86 minutes with some crisp late cuts and hefty pulls to leg. With nine more runs added to his score, he was clean bowled with a similar ball that beat Soares.

With the exception of Beltrao, none of the remaining batsmen managed to stay on and the innings closed just at tea-time for 135.

Taking leave of the wicket after tea, the "Optimists" fared no better, losing four wickets for 41 runs.

R. W. Franklin then made a gallant stand and defied the bowlers for 77 minutes, remaining unbeaten with a score of 61 runs. He gave a chanceless innings and hit eight fours and the only six of the game.

### RECREIO

L. G. Gosano, b T. P. Mahon 4  
A. M. Praia, c Oliver, b T. P. Mahon 4  
G. N. Gosano, b Howard 4  
E. L. Gosano, b T. P. Mahon 5  
E. M. L. Soares, b A. L. Smith 5  
F. M. da Silva, c N. Arthy, b A. L. Smith 5  
A. L. Smith 5  
A. M. Rodrigues, b N. Arthy 6  
H. L. Ozorio, b M. Wood 6  
A. P. Pereira, c A. L. Smith, b N. Arthy 6  
N. A. Beltrao not out 6  
E. T. Gosano, b Howarth 6  
Extras 14

Total 135

Total 108

Bowling Analysis				
O	M	R	W	
Howarth	14	4	30	6
Stokes	9	1	36	1
Gee	3	—	24	10
Clague	2	—	10	3
SCORPIONS				
L. F. Stokes, b Arculli	48	—	10	
O. J. Kerr, c Smy, b Arculli	12	—	10	
D. H. Leach, c Abbas, b Arculli	15	—	10	
J. E. Richardson, b/w, b Minu	16	—	10	
D. Clague, b A. K. Ismail	18	—	10	
F. Gibbons, not out	8	—	10	
F. Howarth, not out	8	—	10	
Extras	4	—	10	
Total	113	—	110	

Bowling Analysis				
O	M	R	W	
I. N. McLeod, A. Welt, R. Hughes	18	—	10	
and F. Gee (did not bat)	—	—	10	
Bowling Analysis	—	—	10	
O	M	R	W	
Arculli	12	1	15	3
Minu	10	—	14	3
Abbas	1	—	10	2
A. K. Ismail	2	—	12	1
ARMY—CCC				
T. P. Mahon	11	1	49	3
A. L. Smith	12	4	25	2
N. Arthy	6	—	26	2
M. Wood	3	—	14	1
W. L. Howard	15	7	2	
OPTIMISTS				
M. M. Little, c & b A. P. Pereira	8	—	10	
R. D. Kilbee, b/w, A. P. Pereira	4	—	10	
N. R. Oliver, c & b A. P. Pereira	4	—	10	
N. E. Arthy, b/w, E. L. Gosano	15	—	10	
R. W. Franklin not out	53	—	10	
K. A. Miller, G. N. Gosano, b E. L. Gosano	1	—	10	
C. T. Howe run out	4	—	10	
W. L. Howard, b E. L. Gosano	4	—	10	
T. P. Mahon, b/w, A. P. Pereira	6	—	10	
M. Wood, b/w, A. P. Pereira	0	—	10	
A. L. Smith, c H. L. Ozorio, b E. L. Gosano	7	—	10	
Extras	4	—	10	
Total	113	—	110	

Bowling Analysis				
O	M	R	W	
A. P. Pereira	16	2	49	5
E. L. Gosano	13.4	3	82	4
G. N. Gosano	6	2	22	2
H. L. Ozorio	1	—	6	—
IRCC—SCORPIONS				
HKCC "Scorpions" beat IRC by five wickets in a First League Cricket match at Sookunpoo.	—	—	—	—
ARMY				
Hutchinson, b Billimoria	4	—	10	
Burton, b Crabtree	16	—	10	
Hezzi, b Billimoria	9	—	10	
Burton, b/w, b Crabtree	5	—	10	
Murray Brown, b/w, b Crabtree	24	—	10	
Stepto not out	26	—	10	
Extras	11	—	10	
Total	113	—	110	

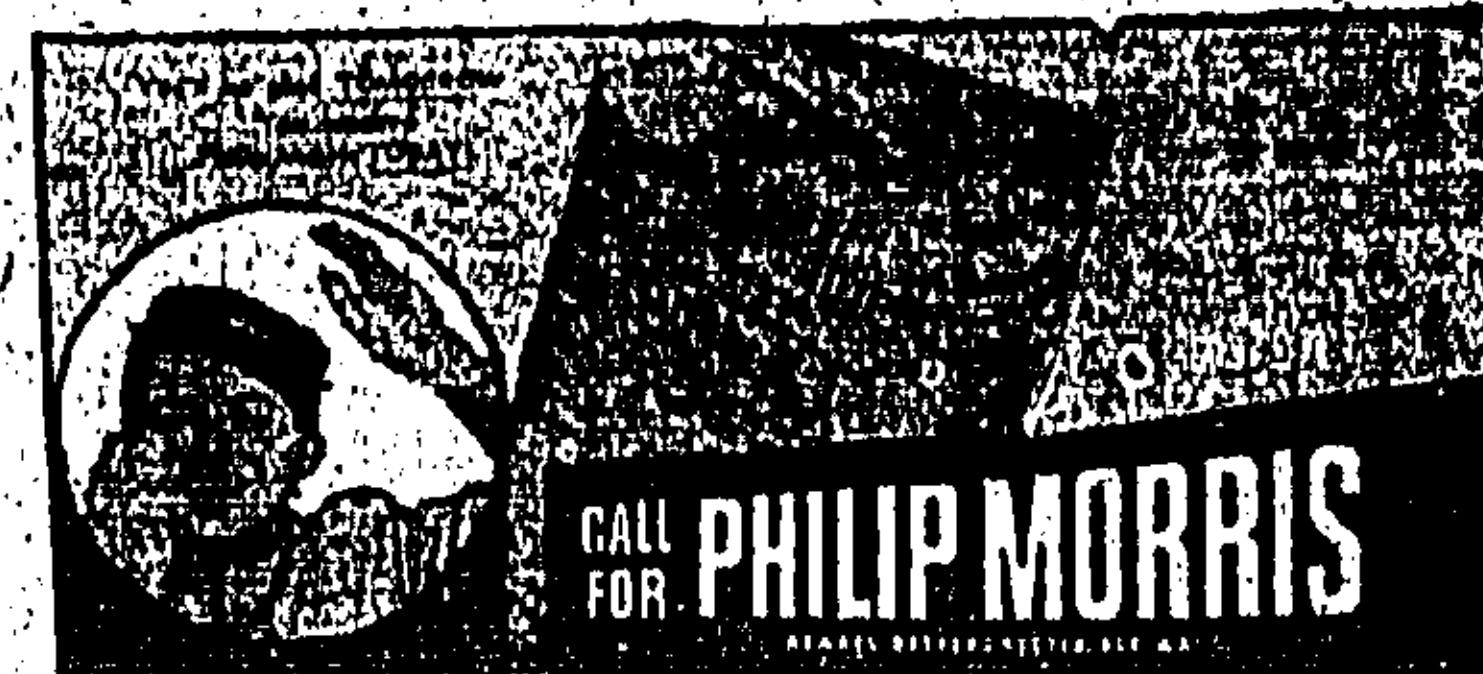
Bowling Analysis				
O	M	R	W	
T. H. Lean	12	1	30	7
S. M. Teh	6	—	25	2
J. C. Koh	112	3	16	2
FRIENDLY GAME				
KCC—RAF				
E. Randall's three wickets in one over high-lighted the friendly cricket game between the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Royal Air Force at Cox's Road yesterday which ended in a six-run win for the Home XI.	—	—	—	—
Randall, who partnered H. E. Matthews as the bowling pair, dismissed Kirley, Neal and Follett in one over. The first two RAF batsmen were dismissed with the first two balls of the over, within two minutes of each other. Follett struck out for a single run on the third ball, but was caught by Cowle on the fourth ball of the over.	—	—	—	—
KCC				
D. Langton-Hart, b Holmes	0	—	10	
S. C. Truman, b/w, Crellin	12	1	30	7
G. A. Souza, b Stepto	16	6	37	2
Omar	4	—	16	2
H. L. Ozario	1	—	6	—
CCC				
J. Billimoria, b Stepto	4	—	10	
L. Wong, b Burton, b Burton	0	—	10	
S. Ramchand, b/w, b Burton	16	—	10	
Crabtree, b/w, b Burton	9	—	10	
E. Randall, b Stepto	1	—	6	—
ARMY				
J. Billimoria, b Stepto	4	—	10	
L. Wong, b Burton, b Burton	0	—	10	
S. Ramchand, b/w, b Burton	16	—	10	
Crabtree, b/w, b Burton	9	—	10	
E. Randall, b Stepto	1	—	6	—
KCC				
D. Langton-Hart, b Holmes	0	—	10	
S. C. Truman, b/w, Crellin	12	1	30	7
V. H. White, c and b Crellin	0	—	10	
E. Randall, b Crellin	21	—	10	
H. E. Matthews, b Crellin	17	—	10	
E. A. J. Hancock, b Morris	0	—	10	
W. H. Cowle, c Morris, b Crellin	17	—	10	
E. A. J. Hancock, b Morris	0	—	10	
R. O. Baker, b Burton	0	—	10	
T. Crabtree, b Burton	0	—	10	
R. O. Baker, b Burton	0	—	10	
E. Randall, b Burton	0	—	10	
R. O. Baker, b Burton	0	—	10	
E. Randall, b Burton	0	—	10	
RAF				
D. G. White, not out	2	—	10	
N. H. Hart-Baker, b Hodgson	12	—	10	
R. O. Baker, b Hodgson	12	—	10	
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Total				
Stepto	9	3	29	7
Banton	7	3	9	3
Jones	2	1	2	—
Bowling Analysis				
Holmes	7			

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## SUNDAY HERALD

HONG KONG, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1949.

Colony Beat Shanghai In  
Rugby Interport Game

In a fast and always interesting Interport Rugby game on the Club Ground at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, Hong Kong beat Shanghai by 17 points to nil.

HOME  
FOOTBALL  
RESULTS

London, February 19. The following were the results of football matches played today:

## FA CUP—Fifth Round

## Replay

## Leicester City 5, Luton 3

## FIRST DIVISION

Villa 2, Manchester U 1  
Bolton 4, Derby 0  
Burnley 3, Chelsea 0  
Charlton 2, Middlesbrough 0  
Liverpool 1, Blackpool 0  
Manchester C 1, Newcastle 0  
Preston 3, Everton 1  
Sheffield U 3, Portsmouth 0  
Stoke 2, Birmingham 1  
Sunderland 0, Huddersfield 1  
Wolves 1, Arsenal 3

## SECOND DIVISION

Barnsley 0, Bradford 0  
Brentford 8, Bury 2  
Coventry 1, Lincoln 0  
Fulham 4, Cardiff 0  
Leeds 1, Chesterfield 0  
Notts F 0, Queen's P R 0  
Plymouth 3, Blackburn 0  
Southampton 1, Sheffield W 0  
Spurs 1, West Ham 1

## THIRD DIVISION (Southern)

Brighton 1, Bournemouth 0  
Bristol C. 1, Swindon 3  
Palace 1, Notts C. 5  
Exeter 1, Leyton Orient 1  
Newport 2, Bristol R. 1  
Northampton 4, Millwall 0  
Norwich 2, Port Vale 0  
Rending 1, Walsall 0  
Southend 1, Aldershot 0  
Swansea 0, Torquay 1  
Watford 1, Ipswich Town 2

## THIRD DIVISION (Northern)

Barrow 2, Oldham 1  
Bradford 4, Hull 0  
Carlisle 3, Doncaster 0  
Darlington 4, Crewe 1  
Gateshead 0, Stockport 1  
Halifax 2, Rotherham 0  
Hartlepools 2, York 3  
Mansfield 0, Tranmere 1  
N. Brighton 1, Chester 1  
Rochdale 1, South Port 0  
Wrexham 1, Accrington 0

## SCOTTISH CUP—3rd Round

Hearts 3, Dunbarian 0  
Morton 0, Clyde 2

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE—"A"

Dundee 5, Albion Rov. 0  
Falkirk 1, Aberdeen 2  
Hibernians 0, Rangers 1  
St. Mirren 1, Queen of S. 1  
Third Lanark 2, East Fife 2

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE—"B"

Airdrie 3, Queen's Park 0  
Aberdeen 2, Queen's Park 0  
Dundee 4, Arbroath 2  
Kilmarnock 2, Cowdenbeath 0  
Raith Rovers 1, Dundee U. 3  
Stirling A. 4, Ayr United 1  
St. Johnstone 1, Hamilton 0

—Reuter.

## TODAY'S SOCCER

## Hong Kong League

## FIRST DIVISION

RAF v. CAA: Sookkunpo, 4 p.m.; Referee: Capt. Stone; Linemen: Mat. Young, Fai and P.P. Li.

KMII v. Navy: Boundary, 4 p.m.; Referee: Capt. Lin and Lineman: N. Delgado and S. Liu.

South China v. South China "B": Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.; Referee: Padley; Lineman: J. Day and Y.T. Leung.

Eastern (byes):

SECOND DIVISION

WD Chinese v. South China, Sookkunpo, 4 p.m.; Referee: Ding Tong; Lineman: T. Tai; Boundary, 4 p.m.; Referee: N. Delgado.

Club v. University (Cancelled).

Eastern v. St. Joseph's (Cancelled).

## School League

## SENIOR DIVISION

Talkoo v. Ellis-Kadore: Caroline Hill, 11 a.m.; Referee: Lai Duen-po.

La Rale v. Wah Yau: Navy "A", Happy Valley, 10.30 a.m.; Referee: P. Li.

St. Joseph's v. Diocesan Boys (to be arranged by schools).

Yau Ma Tei v. Wing Wah (to be arranged by schools).

Queen's (byes):

JUNIOR DIVISION

EW (am) v. EW (pm): Caroline Hill, 10 a.m.; Referee: Chan Tak-fai.

St. Joseph's v. Queen's St. Joseph's, 10 a.m.; Referee: Lai Yee-wing.

Wan Chai (am) v. A Chinese (pm): Army, 10 a.m.; Referee: Teung Khar.

Chinese (pm) v. Queen's: Caroline Hill, 10 a.m.; Referee: Lai Yee-wing.

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